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THE completion of the third volume of the CARTULARIUM SAXONICUM, bringing the collection of Anglo-Saxon Charters down to the end of the reign of King Eadgar, has been delayed by many unforeseen circumstances, which have, however, at length been overcome. Still it is with regret that the original intention of carrying the work in one unbroken series down to the Conquest of England by the Normans has to be abandoned, and the work divided into two Series, of which this present volume, and a supplementary volume (to be mentioned presently), complete the First. The Second Series, if it is carried out—a matter depending very much upon the support of subscribers—will continue the collection down to a somewhat later period than was originally intended, so as to include the early English charters of the Norman monarchs.

The supplementary volume, which is in course of preparation, will consist of a general introduction to the whole subject, tables of genuine and doubtful texts, *fasti* of royal and other personages; lists of contributory manuscripts; and full indices of persons, places, and subjects. This volume, being to a great extent introductory, will properly find its place at the beginning of the First Series, and serve as a manual to the study of the subject.

To me it is a genuine source of gratification that I have been enabled, by dint of examination of a large number of ancient manuscripts, and with assistance of many friends in different parts of England, to be the first to marshal into one work, in chronological array, the hitherto unparalleled number of no less than thirteen hundred and twenty-five texts which illustrate our history from early Saxon times to A.D. 975, many of which have been hitherto

unpublished, and all of which have been collated with the originals —with a very few exceptions indeed, where the originals were inaccessible—so that the student may consult them as they actually stand in their manuscripts, with whatever errors the scribes of these manuscripts have perpetuated; thereby inviting emendations from them, rather than attempting myself to emend what appears faulty or incorrect. It cannot be expected, nor is it desirable, that the collector of ancient texts should himself be the critical expositor of their contents; the man who fells a tree cannot assume (in civilised places) to carve its wood into beautiful forms; just so my task is completed when I lay before historians and theorists the materials—of as good a quality as may be—out of which they may construct a faithful representation of the Anglo-Saxon times which could not otherwise be achieved. I am not aware of the existence of any deeds which should fall into the somewhat comprehensive scope of this work that have been omitted, although it is quite possible that a few may have been overlooked; but, speaking generally, it may be taken that we have in these three volumes all available documentary evidence bearing upon our history—other than the work of historians and chroniclers—as far as the limit of years extends.

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A History of their Discovery, and a Record and Interpretation of their Designs.

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THE TIMES, January 5, 1887, says:—"A valuable work, and one prepared with great care and research, is that on the 'Romano-British Mosaic Pavements,' by Mr. Thomas Morgan, F.S.A. It not only furnishes a full history of the discovery of these pavements, but a record and interpretation of their designs. From the information contained in these pages, the reader is able to gain much insight into the life, habits, and religion of the ancients. The Roman remains, dealt with at length by Mr. Morgan, date principally from a period not earlier than the Gordians; but in an Appendix notes are given upon the 'Itinerary' of Antoninus, together with the text of such portion thereof as concerns Roman Britain. As the author observes, the 'Itinerary' is not only an authentic document of the period when it was written, but it is a good prelude to the advancing civilisation of the next and following centuries, about which the present work mainly treats. The discovery of Roman remains in various parts of England has made astonishing progress of recent years, and the work received an impetus by the uncovering of the very fine mosaics at Morton, near Brading, in the Isle of Wight. The track of the Romans has now been laid bare at all points in this country—east, west, north, and south. The work before us is no superficial record of Romano-British research, but a thoroughly able and comprehensive treatise, in the preparation of which the author has had the advice and assistance of many of our most distinguished archæologists and antiquaries. The value of this survey is greatly enhanced by the engravings and coloured drawings from the mosaics at Morton, Bignor, London, and elsewhere, and from the fine specimens in the British Museum. All these illustrations have been produced by skilled artists. The labour of the author and publishers is deserving of the warmest recognition."

THE ATHENÆUM, September 25, 1886, says:—"The most interesting and important portions of the volume are the chapters which relate to Grecian and Roman mythology, and help us to interpret the mosaic pictures. There are two classes of subjects, the author tells us, which in Romano-British mosaics are generally combined, viz., the Orphic and Bacchic myths, with astronomical references and symbolism; and by comparing these with the writings of poets, contemporary, or nearly so, with the mosaics, as well as with the prose writers, we shall find them mutually to explain each other. These two classes he discusses briefly and in a scholarly way; and many representations which were formerly obscure receive an interpretation which can scarcely be disputed."

THE GRAPHIC, September 4, 1886, says:—"Mr. Thomas Morgan, F.S.A., has earned the gratitude of all archæologists by his beautifully illustrated monograph. He has described nearly two hundred mosaics . . . of some twenty of these he gives plans or coloured engravings, those figuring the modern discoveries being so faithful as to call from him a well-deserved encomium on his publishers. . . . Earlier antiquaries were content with much less accurate drawing. . . . An admirable contribution to a most fascinating branch of archæology."

THE BUILDER, October 23, 1886, says:—"We have said enough to show the great scope of the subject which this book elucidates, and it may be closed with the reflection that Mr. Morgan deserves credit for his successful endeavour to lay before his readers a succinct and general view of the art and history of the mosaics of the Romano-British era."

THE BUILDING NEWS, September 17, 1886, says:—"Mr. Thomas Morgan, F.S.A., has completed a task of the most interesting and useful character by bringing together, in a comprehensive and thoroughly practical form, the several records and descriptive interpretations of the larger portion of the hitherto known examples discovered in England of Roman tesselated pavements. Their histories lie scattered through the writings of a great number of separate authors, while in some cases no reliable accounts have been previously published. The book which is now before us gathers in one design the salient details of them all, and from what was previously at best but an unwieldy aggregation of facts, we have here presented a concise and topographically arranged order, with explanations of their leading characteristics. . . If the Romano-British remains described by Mr. Morgan do not compete with many Continental examples, they have a special interest peculiarly their own, and the best praise is due to Mr. Morgan for his useful record and description of them."

THE JOURNAL OF THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, August 1886, says:—"The author has . . . introduced into his work much original matter. . . . The mythological significance of many of the subjects represented in the mosaics in this country is discussed with much fulness. . . . Not the least attractive feature of Mr. Morgan's work is the series of admirable engravings by which it is illustrated. Many of these are exceptionally fine examples of colour-printing."

THE JOURNAL OF THE BRITISH ARCHÆOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, June, 1886, says:—"The book partakes of more than one character. It is not only a record of discovery and a classified list of places which have revealed these art treasures to the spade and plough, as at Bignor, Morton, Woodchester, and Horkstow, but from the introduction of essays on the mythology, the *cultus*, the numismatic evidence, and the comparative criticism which is afforded by the matchless specimens from Carthage and Halicarnassus . . . all possessing aspects which bear on the proper appreciation of mosaic art-pictures in tesselated stonework, there is little left to be desired by the reader."

THE ANTIQUARY, September 1886, says:—"Let us at once say that Mr. Morgan's labours fully entitle his book to rank as an indispensable adjunct to every antiquary's library. . . . After a general introduction, dealing with the mythical and other illustrations, which form the ornamentation on the pavements, Mr. Morgan proceeds, county by county, and describes minutely all the mosaics that have been found, commencing with Woodchester, one of the earliest finds, and finishing with that wonderful specimen at Brading, which so interested the English world not long since. Mr. Morgan most usefully adds some notes on the *Itinerary* of Antoninus, and the text of the portion so far as it concerns Britain. . . . We cannot, unfortunately, in the limited space at our command, do more than refer to the beautiful illustrations which accompany this work."

THE BATH CHRONICLE, July 22, 1886, says:—"The volume forms an important addition to the antiquarian literature of the country, one that will prove a standard authority upon the subjects of which it treats."

THE HAMPSHIRE INDEPENDENT, November 20, 1886, says:—"Mr Thomas Morgan, F.S.A., has supplied a want in a sumptuously illustrated book on Romano-British Mosaic Pavements, in which he has brought together descriptions of these tesselated pavements with admirable illustrative plates of many of the more important ones. . . . We regard the book as likely to be a standard work on the subject of which it treats. . . . To all who are interested in the monuments of bygone ages which this country contains, and especially in the evidences of the first experience in Britain of civilised rule, this monograph on the Roman mosaic pavements must be welcome, and it proves a valuable addition to our archæological and historical literature."

THE WESTON-SUPER-MARE GAZETTE, July 10, 1886, says:—"The author, in 400 octavo pages, gives a full and complete history and description of Roman pavements in Britain, and also touches upon numerous other subjects connected with Romano-British history."

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860. *Grant by King Eadred to Canterbury Cathedral, of land at Twickenham, co. Middlesex.* A.D. 948.

TWICCANHAM.

✠ EADREDUS gratia superni regis imperiali stemate tocius Britannie sublimatus. Vniversis regni nostri principibus tam ecclesiarum presulibus quam palatinarum[1] procuratoribus dignitatum⁏ non solum presentibus, sed etiam futuris. perpetuam pacem ⁊ prosperitatem. In salvatore omnium Deo ⁊ domino nostro Jhesu Christo.

Quoniam sicut ait apostolus. spiritus sancti dono afflatus. "ea[2] quæ videntur temporalia. sunt. que autem non videntur eterna sunt"⁏ Congruum immo necessarium michi visum est pro eternis adipiscendis transitorias largiri Christo divicias. vt pro caducarum expensione substanciarum percipere merear regnum absque termino permansurum. Cum enim unicuique mortalium expediat pro collatis sibi a Deo beneficiis indesinenter ei gratiarum rependere acciones. maxime vero michi quem ⁊ populo suo dignatus est preficere ⁊ gratuito munere pietatis gloria ⁊ honore coronare. Nam dum crebr animadversione pertracto quid michi vnigenitus ingeniti regis contulerit filius. vt pote qui me nominis sui participem. judiciique ⁊ legum constituit discretorem. vix aut forte nullo modo in rerum forinsecarum habitu reperiam. quod ei competenter offerre prevaleam. Verumptamen⁏"redempcio[3] anime viri proprie divicie ejus".

Quocirca notum esse volo omnibus. quia Ego pro amore Dei ad prefectum anime mee offero Munusculum sancte Metropolitane ecclesie in DOROBERNIA civitate a beato Augustino fundate. ⁊ ab antiquis regibus glorificate. villam. scilicet vocabulo. TUICCANHAM triginta mansorum in provincia Middelsaxonum super fluvium Tamisiam sitam. cum vniversis redditibus ad eandem villam rite pertinentibus. Itaque ut hec condicio mea inviolabilis perpetualiter enitescat⁏ ⁊ regali auctoritate robur optineat sempiternum⁏ Ego hoc scriptum fieri precepi. verboque ⁊ manu firmavi;

[1] *Sic*, MS. [2] 2 Cor. iv, 18. [3] Prov. xiii, 8.

necnon ך pontificibus atque militibus meis roborare suasi quorum nomina infra tenentur annotata.

Si quis vero cujuslibet sexus. ordinis vel dignitatis presencium seu futurorum. hoc memoriale meum corrumpere temptaverit! deleatur memoria ejus de libro vivencium ך robur ejus sine refrigerio eternaliter conteratur.

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum hanc donacionem destinavi ecclesie Christi. Anno incarnacionis dominice. DCCCC°. XLVIII. Indictione. XV. Imperii autem mei anno. IIII. In regali palacio quod est Godeshylle.

✠ Odo Archiepiscopus Dorobernensis annuente glorioso rege Eadredo consignavi.

✠ Wlstanus archiepiscopus Eboracensium. subnotando consensi.

✠ Ælfeah episcopus Wintoniensis firmavi.

MS. Lambeth 1212, p. 334.

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861. *Abridged form of No. 860.*

TWICANHAM.

[A]nno dominice Incarnationis. DCCC'C'. XLVIII. Ego EADREDUS Rex pro amore Dei ad profectum anime meo. offero munusculum sancte Metropolitane ecclesie in DOROBERNIA civitate. villam scilicet nomine. TUUICAHAM. in provincia Middelsaxonum super fluvium Tamisiam sitam cum omnibus ad eam rite pertinentibus liberam ab omni seculari gravitate. ך fiscali tributo. exceptis tribus. pontis expedicione. ך arcis construcione.

Si quis cujuslibet sexus. ordinis vel dignitatis hoc memoriale meum corrumpere temptaverit! deleatur memoria ejus de libro vite. et robur ejus sine refrigerio eternaliter conteratur.

[A.] MS. Lambeth 1212, p. 332. Twysden, *Hist. Ang.*, col. 2220. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLX; from [A.]

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862. *Grant by King Eadred to Winchester Cathedral, of land at Dunton or Downton, and Ebles Burn or Ebblesborne, co. Wilts. A.D. 948.*

✠[1] IN nomine almi et agiæ sophiae. Qui monarchiam mundi totius ac celsitudinem cælorum abditamque profunditatem turgentis

[1] Rubric in B.: Þis is ðære landes boc æt Duntune ðe Eadred cyng ... ge bocode sancta trinitate ך Sancte Petre ך Sancte Paule into ealdan mynstre.

oceani in altis et in imis . Omnia cum suæ majestatis imperio nunc et in ævum gubernat . Ceu pupillarum obtutus per triquadrum mundum cotidiæ cernitur ac manifestata signa declarantur quomodo transeuntis mundi vicissitudo diuturnis horis crescendo decrescit . et ampliando minuatur .

Tamen superno fulti adminiculo prosequi indigemus ad alta . Cujus scilicet fervoris igne succensus . Ego EADREDUS . basileus Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ UUENTANA civitate beato Petro apostolorum principi ejusque coapostolo Paulo . ob reverentiæ trinitatis honore . Ælfheago ejusdem sedis pontifice impetrante uti Cyneuualh in exordio Christianæ reli[gio]nis domino nostro Jhesu Christo ejusque prenominatis apostolis devotus concesserat . successoresque sui . Cyneuulf . et Egcbriht reges . ratis territoriis renovando cum signo crucis itidem confirmaverat . C . mansas . in DUNTUNE et in EBLES BURNAN . . LV . videlicet in Duntune . et XLV . in Ebles burnan . restituendo quod injuste tam a me quam a predecessoribus meis possessum fuerat vel minutum . æterna largitus sum hereditate . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jocundum . cum omnibus quæ rite ad predicta loca pertinere dinoscuntur . campis . pascuis . pratis . excepto communi labore . expeditione pontis . arcisve constructione .

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore[1] depres[si violare sa]tagerint . agminibus tetræ caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . " discedite a me maledicti in ignem æternum" ub[i cum demonibus ferreis sartagi]nibus crudeli torqueantur in poena . si non [ant]e mortem digna hoc emendav[eri]nt poenit[entia] .

. . . . . l[2] on pereðan hylle . on fyrdinges lea . on ebles burnan to afene . on pysere . on ða suðan lace . on earnes beorh . on dic . æt beoredes . . . . . an to pytan pyrðe . on dyre broc . on pelepe . on ða dic æt hiceles pyrðe . þonne ofer ðone feld on hagan ut þurh brember pudu . . . . . anlang herepaðes to ðæs hagan æende to fæger hylde forda . on ðonne hagan on ceorles . . æpe . on crapan crundul . ðonne on ða . . . . . n hric . anlang peges on ða dic to býmera cumbe . ⁊ ðær ðpýres ofer ðreo crundelas . ofer ða stræt . ðpyres ofer ða dune to pudu . . . . . une . on ðæs hlinces æende . on ðone smalan[3] peg . ofer hig cumb . on ðæm smalan pege . on ðane stan . on ðæt hæð pestepeard . on ðone beorh . . . . . dingealand sceare . þ suð on strætford :~

[1] The parts in brackets are supplied from B. [2] For boundaries, see next No. [3] ðones halan, F.

Acta est hæc prefata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini. DCCCCXLVIII. indictione. VI[a].

[✠ Ego. Eadredus Rex Anglorum prefatam donat]ionem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

[✠ Ego. Eadgifu. ejusdem regis mater cum sigil]lo sanctæ crucis ✠ conclusi.

[✠ Ego Oda. Dorobernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusde]m principatum et benevolentiam cum sigillo sanctæ crucis confirmavi.

[✠ Ego. Vulfstan archoni divine servitutis offici]o mancipatus Eboraci civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sanctæ crucis ✠ impressi.

[✠ Ego. Þeodred. Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi.]

✠ Ego Æðelgar episcopus. confirmavi.

[✠ Ego. Ælfheah. Wintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ] crucis ✠ subscripsi. et confirmavi.

[✠ Ego. Cenpald episcopus consensi.]

[✠ Ego. Ælfric. episcopus consig]navi.

✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Æðelstan[1] dux.

✠ Eadric dux.	✠ Ælfstan [mi]nister.
✠ Ealhhelm dux.	✠ Uulfric minister.
✠ Æðelmund. dux.	✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ælfgar dux.	✠ Æðelnoð[2] minister.
✠ Eadmund m[i]nister.	✠ Ælfred minister.

Endorsed in a contemporary hand:—"þis is ðæs landes boc æt duntune. ðe Eadred cyngc ednypon gebocade sanctæ trinitate. and sanctæ Petre. and Paule ing to ealdan mynstre:—"; *in one of the xiiith century*, "[D]UNTUN" "confirmatio Regis"; *and in one of the xviith century*, ". . . . . Alredus in manerio de Dunton . . . . . in Eblesburnam XLV mansas."

(A.) Original charter (imperfect) in Brit. Mus., Cotton ch. viii. 11.
(F.) Brit. Mus. *Facs.*, pt. iii, pl. 14.
(K.) Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxi; from (A.)
(B.) Add. MS. [illegible], f. [illegible].
(F. 2) Brit. Mus. *Facs.*, pt. iv, pref., p. 6.

[1] Ælfstan, B.

[2] Æðelnoð, B.

863. *Another form of the boundaries of the land mentioned in No.* 862.

Ðis synd ða land ge mere to duntune. erest of crapan crundul. on fyrdinges lea. on ebles burnan to afene. on ða fulan lace. on hearnes beorh. on dic. et beoredes treope. on ðone herepað. to headdan grafe. þonne on ðone hagan to pytan pyrðe. on dyre broc. on pelepe. on ða dic et hiceles pyrðe. ðonne ofer ðone feld on hagan ut þurc brember pudu. on ðone stenenan stapul. and lang herepaðes to fobban pylle. and lang herepaðes to ðes hagan ende to feger hilde forda. on ðone hagan on ceorles hlepe on crapan crundul. Ðonne on ða ýferan gemere on eblesburnan. on stret ford. on hrofan hric. and lang peges. on ða dic to bymera cambe ⁊ ðer ðpyres ofer ðreo crundelas. ofer ða stret. ðpyres ofer ða dune to pudu beorch hylle ofer berigan cumb. on ýbles-burnan. on beordune on ðes hlinces ende. on ðone smalan peg. ofer hig cumb. on ðem smalan pege. on ðen estan. on ðet heð pestepeard. on ðone beorh to ðem rig pege. ðonne east and lang hrig peges to bryt fording ea land sceare. þ suð on streat ford !

Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 15,350, f. 18b.

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864. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Æthelgeard, of land in the Island of Maccanie, or Mackney, near Wallingford, on the R. Thames, co. Berks.* A.D. 948.

ÐIS IS ÞARA TYN HIDA BOC ÆT MACANLÆ ⁊ ÆT SUTTUNÆ PYLLE ÞE EADRED CING GEBOCODE ÆÞELPEARDE HIS ÞEGNÆ ON ECE YRFÆ.

✠ In nomine almi et agiæ sophyæ. Qui monarchiam mundi totius ac celsitudinem celorum abditamque profunditatem turgentis occeani[1] in altis et in imis. omnia cum suæ majestatis imperio nunc et in evum gubernat. Céu pupillarum obtutus per triquadrum mundum cotidæ cernitur. ac manifestata signa declarantur. quomodo transeuntis mundi vicissitudo diuturnis horis crescendo decrescit. et ampliando minuatur[2].

Tamen superno fulti adminiculo prósequi indigemus ad alta. Cujus scilicet fervoris igne[3]. ego EADREDUS. basileus Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. Cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine. ÆÞELGEARDO. X. mansas concessi. V. in insula quæ vulgariter dicitur. MACCA'N'LÆ. cujus margynes[1] circumquaque palustribus rivulis

[1] *Sic*, MS. [2] Muniatur, MS. [3] Succensus, added, K.; but *cf.* No. 865.

adjacentibus ambite certis terminis comprobantur . v. vero mansas æt Suttanvvlle . necnon extra illud castellum quod ab antiquitus hoc usque tempus vocatur Welingaford . Ter duodenas segetes . cum bís quinis prati jugeribus . quod anglice dicitur . XXXVI . æcera yrþ landes . ⁊ . X . æceras mæde . equo et leto animo concessi . céu superius prescriptum est in æternam hereditatem . Vt terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ . deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicumque voluerit heredi æternaliter derelinquat . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jocundum cum omnibus quæ ritæ ad predic't'a loc'a' pertinere dinoscuntur . Campis . Pascuis . Pratis . excepto communi labore . expeditione . pontis . arcisve constructione .

Si qui denique michi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi . violari satagerint ! agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . "Discedite á me maledicti in ignem æternum" ; ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena ! Si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint pœnitentia .

Ðis synt þa fif hida æt Maccanige . þe gibhild seo lacu . eallan bútan bælſð . on ælce healfe . Ðonne ligþ bæ norþan þam porte . XXXVI . æcera yrþ landes . ⁊ . X . æceras mæde . and án mylen . ⁊ binnan þam porte fram geast geate on norþ healfe strete . of þone bróc . ⁊ . VII . heorþas butan þón . ⁊ þreo cyrcan . Þonne hebbe ic hít egþer ge binnan porte ! ge butan . eall swa Æþelpold biscop hit ǽr hæfde . Acta est hæc prefata donatio . Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCCXLVIII . Indictione . VI .

Ego Eadredus Rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

Ego Eadgyfu . Dorobornensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus[1] ejusdemque regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis conclusi .

Ego Oda Dorobornensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ crucis confirmavi .

Ego Pulfstanus Archons divinæ servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracæ civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sanctæ crucis impressi .

Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi .

Ego Ælfheah Wintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ crucis subscripsi et confirmavi .

[1] Dorn. eccl. arch., by inadvertence in the MS.

Ego Cenpald episcopus consensi.
Ego Ælfric episcopus consignavi.
Ego Æþelgar episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Ælfred episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus conclusi.

Ego Æþelstan Dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Eadric Dux.	Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æþelstan Dux.	Ego Æþelnod minister.
Ego Ealhelm Dux.	Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Aþelmund Dux.	Ego Ælfred minister.
Ego Ælfgar Dux.	Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Eadmund minister.	Ego Æþeric minister.
Ego Ælfstan minister.	Ego Æþelsige minister.
Ego Ƿulfric minister.	Ego Ælfhelm minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 54. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXI; from [A.]

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865. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfric, of land at Stoke, or Bishop Stoke, co. Southampton.* A.D. 948.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . XI . HIDA BOC 'ÆT STOCE' ÞE EADRED CING GEBOCODE ÆLFRICÆ HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE.

In nomine almi et agye sophyæ . Qui monarchiam mundi totius ac celsitudinem cœlorum abditamque profunditatem turgentis oceáni in altis et in unis . Omnia cum suæ majestatis imperio nunc et in evum gubernat. céu pupillarum obtutus per triquadrum mundum cotidie cernitur ac manifestata signa declarantur . quomodo transeuntis mundi vicissitudo diuturnis horis crescendo decrescit . et ampliando minuatur.

Tamen superno fulti adminiculo prosequi indigemus ad alta. cujus scilicet fervoris igne[1]. Ego EADREDUS . basyleus Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector . cuidum meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine ÆLFRICO . devotionis ejus sollertia ejusdemque placatus obsequio : Dignatus sum impertire . XI . mansas . in illo loco ubi jam dudum solicole illius regionis nomen imposuerunt ÆT STOCE . tali autem tenore hoc prefate munificentiæ munus tradendo concessi . ut possideat[2] firmiter teneat usque ad ultimum cursum vitæ suæ cum omnibus utensilibus quæ Deus cœlorum in ipso telluris gramine creavit. tam in notis causis et ignotis in modicis et in magnis . Campis. Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . silvarumque densitatibus donans donabo

[1] [succensus], added, K.; but *cf.* No. 864. [2] [et], added, K.

libertatem . et postquam humani generis fragilitatem deseruerit[1] et ad desiderabilem jocunditatis viam per gratiam superni judicis adierit . succedentium sibi cuicumque libuerit æternaliter derelinquat . ceu superius prenotavi . Sit autem predictum rus liber'um' ab omni fiscali tributo seculariumque servitutum exinanitum . sine expeditione . et pontis arcisvæ instructione .

Si quis autem propria temeritate violenter invadere presumpserit . sciat se proculdubio ante tribunal districti judicis titubantem tremebundumque rationem redditurum ! Nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . Istis terminis predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur .

Þis synt þa land ge mæro to Stóce . Ærest óf sǽ ofer þone Stan bricg on þonne easteran peg þonon on gagol mor . þonne norð and lang þæs mores oþ rupan oringa ge mæro . þonne east on þa ealdan díc oþ idel hipisce easte peard . þonne norð ⁊ lang mearcæ on þa piþegas peste pearde . þonne east be þam ealdan herpoðe to Æþelspiðe tuninga lea . þonon suð on þa ealdan díc . ⁊ lang dic útt on sǽ þonon útt on solentan pest on midne stream . óf[2] hít cymð upp þær mon ǽr onfeng . ⁊ fyrþ ora ís on pudu to Stóce . ⁊ se pudu be norðan þam . ⁊ séo lǽs ⁊ þæt mæsten ís ge mæne to þám án ⁊ tpentigum hídum .

Acta est hæc prefata donatio . Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC XLVIII . Indictione . VI .

Ego Eadredus Rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

Ego Eadgyfu Ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sanctæ crucis confirmavi .

Ego Oda Dorobernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi .

Ego Pulfstanus Archons divinæ servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracæ civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sanctæ crucis impressi .

Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi .

Ego Ælfheah Wintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testitudinem sanctæ crucis subscripsi et confirmavi .

Ego Cenpald episcopus consensi .

Ego Ælfric episcopus consignavi .

Ego Æþelgar episcopus corroboravi .

Ego Ælfred episcopus confirmavi .

[1] Deserujerit, K. [2] Oþ, K.

Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus conclusi.
Ego Æþel[s]tan Dux.
Ego Eadric Dux.
Ego Æþel[s]tan Dux.
Ego Ƿulfgar Dux.
Ego Ealhelm Dux.
Ego Æþelmund Dux.
Ego Ælfgar Dux.
Ego Eadmund minister.
Ego Ælfstan minister.
Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister

Ego Æþelgeard minister.
Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Æþelnoð minister.
Ego Æþelsige minister.
Ego Byrhtsige minister.
Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Ælfred minister.
Ego Æþered minister.
Ego Eadred. minister.

[A.] Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 15,350, f. 69b.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXIII; from [A.]

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866. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Stanmere, or Stanmore, in Beedon, near Newbury, co. Berks.* A.D. 948.

CARTA REGIS EDREDI DE STANMERE.

In nomine Dei summi subtilissima mentis certatione Deum quem diligimus et credimus intima mentis affectione time'a'mus ⁊ amemus: quia agonista sancte predicationis hortator talem protulit sententiam dicens. "omnia[1] nuda ⁊ aperta sunt coram oculis Dei" ⁊ a luce prima usque conticinium uniuscujusque actus prospicit.

Ideo ego EADREDUS rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector cuidam meo ministro ac militi qui in sue voluntatis ac devotionis obsequio semper fatendo ac implendo paratus ac promptus fuit qui ab incunabulis sue infantilitatis non fortuito set voluntate parentum nomen accepit. ƿULFRIC. dapsili deditione quandam partem ruris libenter dedi ubi jamdudum solicole illius regionis nomen imposuerunt. ÆT STANMERE. Magnitudo autem illius terre juxta estimationem circa eundem locum degentium tanta esse asseritur quantum bis quinas mansarum spatium equa demensione fore cernitur. habeat ac possideat. prefatam dapsilem donationem quamdiu vitalis flatus carnem mundana fragilitate corruptam aluerit. Cum autem dies dissolutionis sue advenerit quo de corruptibili vita ad incorruptibilem beatitudinem migraverit. Cui sibi libet heredi sine ullo obstaculo derelinquat in eternam hereditatem. Sit autem predictum rus liberum

[1] Hebr. iv 13.

ab omni mundia'li' obstaculo cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis . pascuis . silvis . excepto communi labore. expeditione pontis arcisve constructione .

Si quis autem propria temeritate violenter invadere presumpserit. Sciat se proculdubio ante tribunal districti judicis titubantem tremebundumque rationem redditurum nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit.

Mete de Stanmere. Istis terminis predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur . Þis sind þa landgemæro to stanmere . Ærst of þan crundelun þær to stræte ⁊ lang stræte to Aþulfes þorne þonnon on fyrd hammas anlang stifig peges þonne on cat beorh þonne on Ælfheages gemære þonon ⁊ lang mære peges on pulforan þonon andlang gemæres to ines dene[1] uf'e'pearde þæt þonon on stiele þonne ⁊ lang gemæres þæt on lic hangan . of lic hangan on pocging rode þonnou on dunan pyrþe þonon on loceres peg andlang peges on þa ealdan stigele of þære stigele þpers ofer rammes hryeg þonnon on þone caldan hyrne peg þannon on beden peg of beden peg suþe pearde innan ⁊ lang heegan onbutan hunes dune þæt eft on þa crundelas be suþan haran grafas .

Acta est hæc prefata donatio anno ab incarnati[o]ne domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . XL . VIII . indictione . v^a^ .

✠ Ego EADREDUS rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

✠ Ego Eadgifu ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi .

✠ Ego Oda Dor[ob]ornensis[2] ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum ⁊ benivolentiam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi .

✠ Ego Pulfstanus archons divine servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracc civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sancte crucis impressi .

✠ Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis ecclesie episcopus corroboravi .

✠ Ego Ælfheah . Puintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscrips[i] et confirmavi .

✠ Ego Cenpuald episcopus confirmavi .

✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus consignavi .

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus confirmavi .

✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus corroboravi .

[1] Meedene, K. [2] Dorora., A. S.

✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus conclusi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux consensi .
✠ Ego Eadric dux consensi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux consensi .
✠ Ego Eadhelm dux consensi .
✠ Ego Aþelmund dux consensi .
✠ Ego Ælfgar dux consensi .

✠ Ego Eadmund ✠ Ego Ælfstan ✠ Ego Ƿulfric ✠ Ego Ælfsige ✠ Ego Æþelgeard	} minister . consensi .	
✠ Ego Æþelnoþ ✠ Ego Ælfric ✠ Ego Ælfred ✠ Ego Æþelsige	} minister . consonsi .	

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 34b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXIV; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 131.

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867. *Grant by King Eddred to the thegn Wlfric, of land at Idemestone, ? co. Wilts.* A.D. 948.

CARTA EDDREDI REGIS FACTA WOLFRICO DE . V . MANSIS IN LOCO QUI DICITUR IDEMESTONE .

In nomine Dei summi et altissimi Jhesu Christi .

Agonista sancte predicacionis ortator talem protulit setenciam dicens . "omnia[1] nuda et aperta sunt coram oculis Dei" . et a luce prima usque conticinium uniuscujusque actus prospicit . qui[2] monarchiam totius mundi ac celsitudinem celorum abditamque profunditatem cum sue majestatis imperio nunc et in evum gubernat .

Quapropter Ego EDDREDUS Rex Anglorum ceterarumque gencium in circuitu persistencium gubernator et rector cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine WLFRICO dedi quinque mansas aseluli[3] in illo loco ubi jam dudum sollicole illius regionis nomen imposuerunt . AT IDEMESTONE . tali autem tenore hoc prefate munificencie munus tradendo concessi ut possideat et firmiter teneat usque ad ultimum cursum vite sue cum omnibus utensilibus que Deus celorum in ipso telluris gramine creavit tam in notis causis quam ignotis in modicis et in magnis campis paschuis pratis silvis donans donabo libertatem . et postquam humani generis fragilitatem deseruerit et ad desiderabilem jocunditatis viam per graciam superni judicis adierit succedencium sibi cuicumque libuerit eternaliter derelinquat seu superius prenotavi . Sit autem

[1] Heb. iv, 13. [2] *quia*, altered to *qui* in MS. [3] Agelluli, K.

predictum rus liber ab omni fiscali tributo seculariumque servitutum sine expedicione et pontis arcisve instructione.

Si quis hoc propria temeritate violenter invadere presumpserit sciat se proculdubio ante tribunal districti judicis titubantem tremebundumque racioni reddituram nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit.

Acta est hec prefata donacio anno ab incarnacione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. D.C.C.C.C. XLVIII. indictione. VI.

Hiis igitur terminis prefatum Rus usquequaque circumgirare videtur. Þes beth þe land mere to Idemestone þare. X. hide. Erest to þan elde pere. of þan elde pere endlanges þar piresheued to þan peie. of þan peie pires[1] ouer þan dene to þan holon of þan holon to Piscrundel þanen on þan peÿ endlangpeies on þan dich corf. and forth ouer pirfuldoune suthpard to þan crundele þanen endelangpeies at litelhulle to þan stane þanne vp ouer handoune to þan birgilsond. þanen vp on menhulle of menhulle est to þer strete endlang þer strete to ernebergh' þanne south to þa stone. of þan stone ouer hendoune on þe furs. endlang þer furgh's to þan bourne þanen endlangborne as hit schet vp to þan knolle at Smalpeÿ þanne pest to kingesdich for to hit kemet to fimbergh' þanen þer north endelangpeÿes on hehelmeslandschere þanne endlangpei pires ouer brouninglergh' northpard on northond þe peies. X. acres þanen on þe dich þar hit geth eft on þe eldepere.

Sicuti[2] tres sunt carte[3] sic tres sunt situs bundarum quos in libro qui dicitur land bok. qui voluerit legere poterit.

[A.] MS. Bodl., Wood I, f. 233A. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. ccccxix; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 232.

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868. *Grant by King Eadred to the religious woman Alfthrith, of land at Purbeck, co. Dorset.* A.D. 948.

In nomine Dei summi et altissimi Jhesu Christi. Bea[n]tis universorum voce monemur preclara procuremus incessanter sine amaritudine mentis hujus seculi ambicione integra libertate apertis januis intrare ad eum qui suo cruore scelera nostra detersit injusta.

Iccirco ego ADREDUS Rex Anglorum ceterarumque gencium in circuitu persistencium gubernator et rector secundo anno imperii mei litteratoriis apicibus roboravi quod cum consensu heroicorum virorum tradidi. cuidam religiose femine vocitate nomine ALFÞRIÞ. et pro amabili peticione patris sui VIII mansas agelluli. necnon et

[1] þeires, K. [2] This paragraph omitted, K. [3] I.e., Nos. 829, 867, and K. No. DLXV, A.D. 970.

pro placabili pecunia quam mihi in sue devocionis obsequio detulit hoc est LX mancusas purissimi olei[1]. In illo loco ubi turbarum collacione jamdudum nomen illatum hoc adesse profertur pars telluris PURBICINGA. Vt terram jam prefatam in eo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus sue possideat vite deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicunque voluerit heredi derelinquat in 'eternam' hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc inmobile donum eterna libertate jocundum cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore et expedicione pontis arcisve coedificacione. Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violari satagerint agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audeant examinacionis die arbitris sibi dicentis. "Discedite[2] a me maledicti in ignem eternum". ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena. si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint penitencia:

Istis terminibus predicta terra circumgerata esse videtur.

Þese sanden þe land ſmare. Arest fram picanforð on beam broc. an ðonnen an lang broke on anne wiþig. þefele þiers ouer þane merse þare weilaite. þanne. or anne ston. of þanne stane: on alle þiscan[3]. of alle discan[3]: on anne dich. þannen suth at lang dich: on ðone here paþ of þen here paþe suth an lang dich on þanne cumb. þonne an lang cumbe on þen hirnen: onne strut heardes paþe of þane paþe forðe an lange welles: one þane westrene cumbe þanne: a dun anlang cumbes on þane broc. þonne anlang stremes on þe schort mannes pol þerth ut on sæ.

Þanne is þis seo westere land sceare. Of sa: an anne stan tor. of þane tore: on þane clif upward on anne dich. þanen north anlang safundune on þene richte herepath. þanen north an lang dich. oþ þane ealden stodfald estward. þane forþ on ða ealden hege rewe anlang þare hege rewe oþ þa dich. of þare dich on anne linc reawe. of þane linche on bl[4] þanne anlang broces oþ olle discan[3]. of olle discan[3] north ouer þane[4] on scyleford. þane an lang streame. þat it cometh eft to Wikenforde.

Acta est hec prefata donacio anno ab incarnacione domini. DCCCC. XLVIII. indictione. VI[a]:

Ego Adredus Rex Anglorum prefatam donacionem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi. ✠.

[1] *Sic*, MS. ? auri. [2] Matt. xxv, 41. [3] For the *Ediscæ*, see K., vol. iii, pref., p. xxiii. [4] Left blank in MS.

Ego Oda Dorobernensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem Regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi . ✠ .
Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis episcopus coroboravi . ✠ .
Ego Alphech Wintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Aluric episcopus consignavi . ✠ .
Ego Alfgar episcopus roboravi . ✠ .
Ego Wlsige episcopus conclusi . ✠ .
Ego Alfred episcopus consensi . ✠ .
Ego Aþelstan dux . ✠ .
Ego Adric dux . ✠ .
Ego Eallidem dux . ✠ .
Ego Admund minister . ✠ .
Ego Elfstan minister . ✠ .
Ego Wluric minister . ✠ .
Ego Alfsige minister . ✠ .
Ego Wluric minister . ✠ .
Ego Aluric minister . ✠ .
Ego Aþelsige minister . ✠ .
Ego Alfred minister . ✠ .
Ego Aþelgerd minister . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Harl. 61, f. 4.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxviii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. [illegible].

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869. *Grant by King Eadred to the religious woman, Ælfwyn, of land at Wicham, or Wickhambreux, co. Kent.* A.D. 948.

✠ In nomine Dei et domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Anno vero dominicæ Incarnationis DCCCCXLVIII . Indictione VI . ego EADREDUS . rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector . Audivi a sapientibus et prudentibus hanc mellitam dulcedinem sermociuationis seriem quod bona voluntas in die examinationis pro bono opere reputabitur . Idcirco minime in oblivione habui quod parvam partem potestatis mei pro carissimæ relegiosæque melliflua matris meæ præce perpetuali donatione libenter concedo cuidam relegiose femine vocitatæ nomine . ÆLFPYNNE . VI . mansas quod Cantigenæ[1] dicunt . *syx . sulunga* . In illo loco ubi ruricoli antiquo usu nomen inposuerunt . ÆT PIC HAM . Quatenus illa bene perfruatur ac possideat quamdiu vivat . et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in æternam hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liber ab omni fiscali tributo sæculariumque servitutum exinanitum . Sine expoeditione . et pontis . arcisve instructione . Cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . Campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Si quis autem propria temeritate violenter invadere præsumpserit . Sciat se proculdubio ante tribunal districti

[1] Cantigenæ, S.

judicis titubantem tremebundumque rationem redditurum. Nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit.

✠ DUAS LIBRAS PURISSIMI AURI DEDIT.

Istis terminibus prædicta terra Circum gyrata esse videtur. Þis synt þa land gemæro to ƿicham. Ærest se burna on east healfe on suþ healfe sanctæ Agustines gemæro ⁊ eft sanctæ Agustines land on ƿest healfe be þæl brycge sƿa forþ andlang broces oþ hose graf ⁊ þær ƿest be mearc fleote to sture ⁊ sƿa east be sture oþ burnan muþan ⁊ sƿa forþ oþ Eadulfes mearce ⁊ þær forþ be broce oþ ealdan stræt ⁊ se ƿuda on trind lea ⁊ þæt[1] den on blean earnes hyrst. on east healfe þening den ⁊ seo burh stræt on suþ healfe Ælfrices mearc on ƿest healfe. cluse ⁊ haming ford on norð healfe þæs hirædes mearc to Sancte Mildryþe sƿa forð oþ langan leagas sƿa oþ Ælfƿeardes mearce.

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum præfatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ Crucis ✠ indeclinabiliter Consensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Eadgifu ejusdem regis mater Cum sigillo sanctæ Crucis ✠ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobernensis æcclesiæ episcopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ Crucis ✠ Conclusi.

✠ Ego Ƿulfstanus archons divinæ servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracæ Civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sanctæ Crucis ✠ impressi.

✠ Ego Ðeodred Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ælfheah Ƿintaniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ Crucis ✠ subscripsi et confirmavi.

✠ Ego Cenƿald episcopus Consensi.

✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus Consignavi,

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus Confirmavi.

✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus Corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus Conclusi.

✠ Æþelstan dux.

✠ Eadric dux.

✠ Æþelstan dux.

✠ Ealhhelm dux.

✠ Aþelmund dux.

✠ Ælfgar dux.

✠ Eadmund minister.

✠ Ælfstan minister.

✠ Ƿulfric minister.

✠ Ælfsige minister.

✠ Ƿulfric minister.

[1] Pæt, S.

✠ Beorhtsige minister . ✠ Æþelnoþ[1] minister .
✠ Æþelgeard minister . ✠ Ælfhelm minister .

Endorsed:—"Rex Eadredus dedit Wicham cuidam femine nomine Elfuuen". "latine".

[A.] Original charter in the British Museum, Stowe Charter, No. xxv. | [S.] *Ord. Surv. Facs.*, pt. III, pl. xxvii; transliteration by W. B. Sanders, 1884.

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870. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfheah, of land at Cnugel, or Knoyle, co. Wilts.* A.D. 948.

ÞIS HIS ÞARE . X . HIDA BOC ÆT CNUGEL ÞE EADRED CING GEBOCODE ÆLFHEAHE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECHE YRÞE .

In nomine Dei summi et altissimi Jhesu Christi . Omnipotens factor atque monarchus dispensator . In sua unica prescientia quecumque abdita aut se ostendentia sint inscrutabili atque intelligibili dispensatione disposuit ac gubernat . Nam ego . EADREDUS . Rex Anglorum . ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector . Cuidam meo ministro vocitato nomine ÆLFHEACO . modicam numinis mei partem id est . X . mansas agelluli eternaliter tradendo concessi . pro ejus amabili obedientia et pro antiqua fidelitate quam michi meisque indeficienter studiose peragebat . vbi turbarum collatione jamdudum nomen illatum hoc adesse perfertur . ÆT CNUGEL . ut habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat . Et postquam universitatis viam adierit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum eterna libertate jocundum Cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur . Tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus . Campis . pascuis . pratis . Silvis . Excepto communi labore expeditione . pontis . arcisve confextione[2] . Si qui denique michi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violare satagerint agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem eternum" . ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena . si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint penitentia .

Istis terminibus . Þis sendon þa lond gemere . [Æ]rest on ealdan dic of ealdan dic on cigean cytan of cygean cytan on cuffes cnol . of cuffes cnolle on ƿidan leage of ƿidan leagé on ƿulfa broc of ƿulfa broce on ƿealinga ham of ƿealinga hamme on ƿinter burnan of ƿinter burnan on nunnena dene of nunnena

[1] Æþelnoþ, S. [2] Confect., K.

dene on scearpan dune of scearpan dune on lapeorc dune of lapeorc dune eft on ealdan dic.

Acta est hec prefata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. XLVIII. Indictione. VI^a.

Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis Indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

Ego Eadgife ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi.

Ego Odo Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi.

Ego Ƿulfstanus archons divine servitutis officio mancipatus Eborace civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sancte crucis impressi.

Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis ecclesie episcopus corroboravi.

Ego Ælfheah Ƿintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testitudinem sanctae crucis subscripsi et confirmavi.

Ego Cenƿald episcopus predictum donum consensi.

Ego Ælfric episcopus consignavi.

Ego Æþelgar episcopus roboravi.

Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus confirmavi.

Aeþelstan dux.	
Eadric dux.	Aeþelgeard miles.
Ealhhelm dux.	Aelfsige miles.
Aþelmund dux.	Wulfric miles.
Eadmund miles.	Aelfric miles.
Aelfstan miles.	Aeþelsige miles.
Wulfric miles.	Aelfheah[1] miles.

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 1.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXXII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 423.

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871. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfsi, of land at Ægcleswurð, or Ailesworth, in the parish of Castor, on the R. Nen, co. Northampton.* A.D. 948.

DE HEILESWRTH.

In nomine sancti salvatoris qui monarchiam mundi tocius ac celsitudinem cœlorum abditamque profunditatem turgentis oceani in altis et in imis omnia cum suæ majestatis imperio nunc et in

[1] Ælfsige, K.

ævum gubernat . ceu pupillarum visus per triquadrum mundum cotidie cernitur ac manifestata signa declarant . quomodo transeuntis mundi vicissitudo diuturnis horis crescendo decrescit et ampliando minuitur .

Quapropter ego ÆDREDUS rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector . dedi cuidam ministro mihi fidelissimo vocitato nomine ÆLFSINO quandam ruris particulam . III . videlicet mansas in loco ubi solicule illius regionis ÆGELESUURD nomen[1] imposuerunt . ut habeat et possideat cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus in modicis et in magnis . campis . pascuis . pratis . et silvis silvarumque densitatibus . Et post se succedentium sibi heredum cuicumque libuerit derelinquat . Sit autem prædictum rus liberum ab omni fiscali tributo seculariumque servitutum exinanitum sine expeditione et pontis arcisve constructione.

Quisquis autem benivola mente meam donationem amplificare satagerit . in hoc præsenti seculo vita illius longituruæ vitæ gaudia teneat . Et si quisquam quod non optamus propria temeritate violenter invadere vel minuere præsumpserit sciat se procul dubio ante tribunal districti judicis titubantem treme[bu]ndumque rationem redditurum . nisi hic prius digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . quod contra nostrum decretum deliquit . His terminis prædicta terra circumgirata esse videtur .

Þis sindon þa landgemæro to ægelesuurðe . Ærest up of nyn to þere ealdan dic pið suðtun ge mære . fram þere dic to þere ealdan strete to maman þorne . þanon to marmedue a gerihte to pyda . spa innan pyda be uptun ge mære . spa to uffapyrða ge mære . þanon to hylpestun ge mære spa to Kyneburga cæstre ge mære spa ut of pyda . fram þam pyda be Cyneburge cæstre ge mære to þam pege . ofer þone pege andlang þere ealdan dic . of þere dic eft ut on nyn .

Acta est hæc præfata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . XLVIII . indictione . VI .

Ego Ædredus rex Anglorum præfatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

Ego Ædgifu ejusdem regis mater cum signaculo sanctæ crucis ✠ confirmavi .

Ego Oda Dorobernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam cum sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi .

[1] Nomine, altered to nomen, MS.

Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Ælfheach Þintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ crucis subscripsi et confirmavi.
Ego Cenuuald episcopus consensi.
Ego Ælfric episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Æthelgar episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Ælfred episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Wlfsi episcopus conclusi.

Æthelstanus dux.	Ælfstan.
Ædric dux.	Wlfric.
Æthelstan dux.	Æthelnoth.
Wlgar dux.	Ælfsige.
Eallhelm dux.	Wlfric.
Æthelmund dux.	Æthelgerd.
Ælgar dux.	Ælfheah.
Ædmund minister.	Ætheric. ministri.

[A.] MS. Soc. Ant. London, ix, f. 30. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxxiii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 428.

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872. *Charter of King Edred to Croyland Abbey.* A.D. 948.

Pax in summæ Trinitatis nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus sancti. Amen. Ego EDREDUS rex terrenus sub imperiali potentia regis sæculorum æternique principis, magnæ Britanniæ tenens imperium temporale, universis Christianis tam presentibus quam posteris, salutis beneficium in autore salutis.

Vobis liqueat omnibus quod per devotam suggestionem, et frequentem provocationem dilecti clerici et cognati mei Turketuli mihi factam super reparatione, restauratione et libertatē sacrosanctæ Ecclesiæ, et monasterii CROYLANDENSIS in quo reconditæ sunt reliquiæ sancti Guthlaci confessoris et anachoritæ non modicum condolui et compassus sum tam pro depopulatione sanctæ matris ecclesiæ quam pro diminutione beneficiorum spiritualium pro animabus primogenitorum meorum per opera misericordiæ multipliciter et frequenter impensa, recolens ibi cœnobium nigrorum monachorum ordinis sancti Benedicti a nobili rege Merciorum Ethelbaldo nomine quondam Alwionis filio esse fundatum, affluenter ditatum, et regalibus privilegiis sufficienter munitum, ut per inspectionem cartarum ejusdem Ethelbaldi ad securitatem dictorum monachorum compositarum, satis erat consilio meo

declaratum. Sed post multorum temporum curricula per paganorum erat devastatum, et cum omnibus ornamentis et monimentis quampluribus igne crematum et consumptum, ubi prædictus Turketulus qui juxta psalmistæ vocem propheticam, "Odit[1] ecclesiam malignantium, et dilexit decorem domus domini", pioque stimulatus desiderio dictum cœnobium reparare et reædificare sumopere molitur, hic homo divinæ charitatis zelo in tantum accensus es tut corde ac corpore se ovili dominico ibidem mancipare indesinenter adoptat. Unde. V. monachi senes in eadem insula latitantes de quibus duo a dispersione regressi, de ejusdem Turketuli et aliorum jurisperitorum consilio informati, quasi graviter formidantes jacturas et dispendia varia futuris temporibus inopinate emergentia, damus totam abbathiam cum omnibus possessionibus obtentis, et ejusdem Turketuli sollicitudine recuperatis meo etiam favore acquisitis cum sex maneriis de prædiis suis hæreditariis in manum meam funditus et sponte resignantes, ut per meam redonationem de firmiore ac liberiori extunc et in posterum gratulentur possessione, sed cum fœdus verbo solummodo initum dum a memoria fuerit devolutum in materiam contrahitur litigiosam, nisi rei gestæ perennis scripti patrocinium suffragetur, Hinc est quod sæpe dictum Turketulum cum præfatis monachis jam in habitu adunatum grato meo consensu et assensu abbatem ejusdem monasterii constituo, et tam abbathiam quam omnes possessiones sic recuperatas, et mihi resignatas ex dono meo regali de cætero in perpetuam et puram eleemosinam illis monachis et omnibus successoribus eorum sub eadem regula et eodem habitu sancti Benedicti ibidem Deo servientibus, trado, dono et confirmo, et in hunc modum per singula declarare dispono.

Imprimis totam insulam CROYLANDIÆ pro gleba ecclesiæ et pro situ separali ejusdem monasterii cum his limitibus distinctam videlicet a ponte de Croyland triangulo per aquam de Weland versus Spaldelinge usque ad Asendick, ubi Asendick cadit in aquam de Weland ex boriali parte crucis lapideæ per prædictum Turketulum ibidem affixæ, et sic sursum versus orientum per Asendick usque ad Aswicktoft, et inde usque ad Shepeee in orientali parte ejusdem insulæ, et sic usque ad Tedwarthar et ibi intrando Southee usque ad Namanlandhirne ubi crucem lapideam affigi precepit idem Turketulus distantem a Southee per sex perticatas, et sic in illa aqua divisio duorum comitatuum Lincolniæ videlicet et Grantebrigiæ, et distat eadem crux ab aqua de Nene versus occidentem per V. perticas, et inde per eandem aquam de

[1] Psalm. xxv. 5.

Nene sicut currit ad supradictum pontem de Croyland cum seperali piscaria tam in aquis omnibus ambientibus dictam insulam quam in stagnis et paludibus infra situm inclusis una cum mariscis et alnetis adjacentibus versus occidentem ex opposito ejusdem insulæ in omnibus Lincolniæ comitatui annexis et respondentibus, et per hos limites in hunc modum determinatis, videlicet a Namandlanshirne per aquam de Nene versus occidentem usque ad finem factum ubi crux lapidea defixa est juxta ripam, et ab inde usque ad Grinis, et sic usque ad folward stakinge, et inde usque ad Southlake, ubi Southlake cadit in aquam de Weland, et sic transeundo eandem aquam et incipiendo ad Kenulphston juxta ripam ex opposito de Southlake ubi primus abbas a fundatione ejusdem monasterii nomine Kenulphus posuit crucem lapideam pro limite inter Croyland et Deping, et ab inde tendendo versus Boream juxta Aspath usque ad Werwarlake et sic usque ad Haringholt, et deinde sursum per Mengarlake et Lurtlake et ibi sunt limites dividentes Hoyland et Kestevene, et inde usque ad Oggot, et sic usque ad Apiuholt sive alio nomine Wodelade ubi Wodelade cadit in aquam de Weland cum omnibus appendiciis, et omni commodo quod possit evenire sive extorqueri infra supradictos limites tam subter terram quam supra cum commina pasturæ in mariscis adjacentibus ex utraque parte aquæ de Weland, videlicet ex una parte ab ipsa aqua usque ad agrum de Medeshamsted, et ex altera parte ab eadem aqua usque ad ædificia de Spauldelinge cum seperali piscaria in eadem aqua de Weland a Kenulphston usque ad pontem de Croyland. et in aqua de Nene a limite fineston nomine usque ad pontem de Croyland, et ab inde in eadem aqua, et in aqua de Weland coadunatis usque ad Asendick. possunt etiam dicti monachi de eisdem mariscis versus occidentem adjacentibus pro se et hominibus sive tenentibus suis includere croftis sive pratum circa pontem separaliter quantum illis placuerit. quare volo quod dicti monachi habeant ista prædia de donatione et confirmatione mea libera et soluta ab omni causa et onere sæculari, et omnes libertates, et liberas consuetudines cum omni illo quod appellatur Socha Sacha, Tol et Tem, Infanthef weif et stray et cum his legitime appendentibus, in puram et perpetuam eleemosinam meam, prætcrea trado, dono, et confirmo eisdem monachis has possessiones eidem cœnobio ex donatione antiqua procerum regni mei ab olim dependentes, videlicet in Lincolnshire in Spaudelinge iij carucatas terræ in Pincebeck unam carucatam terræ, in Cappelade iij carucatas terræ. vj bovatas terræ et xij acras prati cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ.

in Algare . 12 . bovatas terræ . in Dounesdick duas carucatas terræ , et 20 acras prati . in Drayton unam carucatam terræ , et . 6 . acras prati , et iiij salinas . in Bokenhale duas acras terræ et dimidiam , et . 26 . acras prati , et . 50 . acras silvæ , et . 70 . acras de brushe . in Halington . x . bovatas terræ , cum . 4 . bovatis de Ingland . et cum . 32 . acras prati de eodem feodo in Gerimthorp . in Langtoft . 6 . carucatas terræ arabilis , et habet . 15 . quarentenas in longitudine , et . 9 . quarentenas in latitudine , et . 100 . acras prati , et silvam et mariscum duarum leucarum in longitudine , et duarum leucarum in latitudine et ecclesiam ejusdem villæ , et . 40 . acras de eodem feodo in campo de Deping . in Baston apud Tetford . 4 . carucatas terræ arabilis et . 45 . acras prati cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ , et cum . 16 . quarentenis marisci in longitudine , et . 8 . quarentenis in latitudine , cum uno molendino aquatico et dimidio molendino , in Repingale tres carucatas terræ arabilis et . 60 . acras prati in Laithorp unam bovatam terræ , in Kirkby iij bovatas terræ unam mansionem et iij cotagia . In Northamptonshire in Wendlingborough vj hidas terræ et dimidiam cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ cum socha sacha et . in Adington tres hidas terræ cum advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ . in Helmington tres hidas . in Glapthorne iij virgatas terræ . in Wirthorp unam hidam et dimidiam cum uno molendino aquatico . in Peikirk duas virgatas terræ . in Badby manerium et . 4 . hidas terræ cum triginta acris prati . in Huntingdonshire in Morberne . v . hidas terræ cum advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ . in Thiring unam hidam et dimidiam terræ . in Leicestreschire in Beby . 10 . carucatas terræ et dimidiam cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ . in Sutton . ij . carucatas terræ . in Stapilton duas carucatas terræ . in Grantebrigeschire in Kotengham . xi . hidas terræ cum advocatione ejusdem villæ alternis viribus . in Hokitton . 6 . hidas terræ . et dimidiam cum ecclesia ejusdem villæ . in Drayton . 8 . hidas terræ et dimidiam cum advocatione ecclesiæ ejusdem villæ . in Hartfordschire in Staundon . v . hidas terræ . Et volo quod dicti monachi sint quieti et soluti ab omni scotto , geldo , auxiliis vicecomitum , hydagro[1] . et a secta in Schiris , Wapuntakis , Hundredis , Thrithingis et omnimodis aliis curis , et sæculi oneribus universis . et præcipio quod omnes homines fugitivi quos iidem monachi et testimonium . 4 . vel . 5 . hominum fide dignorum coram vicecomite in patria in qua tales manent , possunt affidare suos nativos esse , reducantur per prædictum vicecomitum in abbathiam eorum cum omnibus catallis et sequelis eorum , omnium reclamatione et

[1] Sic, MS.

reluctatione ab inde remota et annullata . et si quid prius egerint in fraudem dominorum suorum , illud cassatum omnino discerno ; et si quis hominum nativorum suorum vel nativa de eis tenentium , aliquod delictum admiserit , pro quo catalla sua debet perdere , ipsa catalla prædictis monachis integre liberentur ubicumque facta fuerit justitia . Et volo quod vicecomes vel aliquis de ballivis seu ministris meis repertus negligens vel protrahens eorum negotia contra juris ordinem , et libertates eorum , sit in satisfactura . 20 . librarum thesauro meo solvendarum . Et ne aliquid omittatur quod ad securitatem jurium , et libertatem eorum monachorum præsenti cartæ convenit inserere , saltem propter eos quos plus terret dispendium temporale vitæ præsentis quam supplicium gehennale perpetuo duraturum , districte præcipio quod omnes et singuli cujuscunque fuerint gradus vel condicionis , qui præsentis scripti sanctionem contra formam et effectum voluntatis meæ expressæ in eodem in aliquo violare nituntur , perturbare vel minuere procurant consilio , auxilio vel favore quo minus pacifice possideant aliqua dona sibi concessa , vel vestantur aliquibus privilegiis superius memoratis , sint condemnati in pœna forisfacturæ centum librarum legalis thesauro meo heredum vel successorum meorum persolvendarum , quoties sic attentare præsumpserint , necnon quod satisfaciant dictis monachis pro damnis et expensis per eos sibi factis vel illatis , taxandis per juramenta . 4 . vel . 5 . hominum fide dignorum per quos rei veritas melius cognosci poterit coram judicibus meis , hæredum vel successorum meorum definiendis ut sic qui sæculo sponte renunciantes se jugo dominico manciparent , et jam facti sunt mundo mortui , absque mundi turbine , et inquietudine liberam habeant facultatem divinæ vacare contemplationi.

Ista donaria licet minima ad laudem summæ Trinitatis , et in pretium animæ meæ prædictis monachis devotus perpetuavi et stabilivi in anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jesu Christi . 948 . in præsentia archiepiscoporum , episcoporum et procerum regni mei subscriptorum .

✠ Ego Wulstanus archiepiscopus Eboracensis devotus subnotavi .

✠ Ego Odo Dorobernensis archiepiscopus consilium et consensum meum ad istud dedi .

✠ Ego Alfredus Schireburnensis episcopus affectavi .

✠ Ego Kinsius Lichfeldensis episcopus consensi .

✠ Ego Kinewaldus Wigornensis episcopus istud factum corroboravi .

✠ Ego Ceolwulfus Dorcascistrensis episcopus desideravi .

✠ Ego Athelwoldus abbas Abendonensis approbavi.
✠ Ego Dunstanus abbas Glastoniæ multum adoptavi.
✠ Ego Oslak dux ad instanciam domini mei regis collaudavi.
✠ Ego Brithnodus dux commendavi.
✠ Ego Alcinus comes favi.
✠ Ego Aigulfus comes consignavi.
✠ Ego Radbodus comes consensum dedi.
✠ Ego Bingulf vicedominus consului.
✠ Ego Alfer vicecomes audivi.
✠ Ego Marceus minister interfui.
✠ Ego Sigeus minister auscultavi.
✠ Ego Athelwardus minister aspexi.
✠ Ego Turketus[1] licet minister inutilis finem cernens mei propositi, ob cujus rei gratiam æternum Deum laudo per omnia, et licet sero veniens sub habitu monachali, et animo contrito jugo sæculari meipsum submisi, ut saltem sic senectutis meæ feces creatori meo cogar immolare. Magnificat ergo anima mea dominum, et vos fratres magnificate dominum mecum, ut in sanctitate et justitia coram ipso servientes, semperque mundi principe triumphato, sic curramus in præsentis vite stadio, ut in futuro divinæ speculationis bravium pertingere mereamur. Amen.

[A.] MS. Arundel 174, f. 61.
Chronicle of Ingulph, ed. Birch, p. 56; from [A.]
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccxxx; from [A.
Cf. Spelman, vol. i, p. 428, etc.
Dugdale, *Mon. Angl.*, vol. ii, p. 114.

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873. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Cuthred, of land at Bedelacing, or Balking in Uffington, co. Berks.* A.D. 948.

CARTA DE BEDELAKINGES.

Regnante[2] inperpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. "Omnia[3] que videntur temporalia sunt que autem non videntur eterna sunt". Ideo caducis ⁊ vanis rebus eterna ⁊ jugiter permansura gaudia celestis patric magnopere mercanda sunt.

Quapropter ego ÆDRED gratia Dei occidentalium Saxonum rex

[1] *Sic*, MS.
[2] The form of this charter resembles that of some deeds of the ninth century.
[3] 2 Cor. iv, 18.

pro remedio animæ mee, aliquam partem terre juris mei meo ministro CUDENO in perpetuam hereditatem libenter largitus sum, id est. V. cassatos in loco qui appellatur BEDALACINGE. hoc est. ut habeat atque possideat prefatam terram cum omnibus utilitatibus ad eam pertinentibus. campis. pratis. pascuis. quamdiu omnipotens Deus voluerit ut hic ista vita demoratus fuerit. et post finem vite illius heredi cuicumque placuerit liberam habeat donandi vel concedendi potestatem terra autem predicta secura et immunis permaneat ab omni regali servitio ⁊ omnium secularium servitute nisi expeditione et pontis factione et arcis munitione.

Si quis hanc meam donationem augere ⁊ amplificare voluerit augeat Deus bona illius hic et in futuro. si vero quis frangere vel mutare presumserit ! noscat se ante tribunal eterni judicis in die judicii rationem redditurum nisi antea satisfactione emendaverit.

Scripta est autem hæc scedula anno ab incarnatione Christi. DCCCC. XL. VIII[1]. in loco qui appellatur SUDTUN. Istis testibus consentientibus quorum nomina infra scripta videntur esse.

Testes. ✠ Ego Ædred. rex consensi.
✠ Ego Æþelwulf dux consensi.
✠ Ego Beorhtferd filius regis consensi.
✠ Ego Heremod. presbyter.

✠ Ego Milred.
✠ Ego Caulaf.
✠ Ego Æþelpulf.
✠ Ego Ælfred
✠ Ego Æscred
✠ Ego Cuncheah
} minister. consensi.

✠ Ego Ceolberht
✠ Ego Mucel
✠ Ego Heahpulf
✠ Ego Ƿeohthelm
✠ Ego Cyneferð
} minister. consensi.

[A.] MS. Cotton. Claudius B. vi, f. 36b. Chron. *Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 130; *cf.* vol. ii, p. 505.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXV; from [A.]

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874. *Grant by King Eadred to his "homo" Heresig, of land at Swalewanclif, or Swalecliff,[2] near Canterbury, co. Kent. Before* A.D. 949.[3]

✠ Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Imminentibus vite caducis terminis qua in nos sceleris licet onere pressi nutu divini statuti ! Tamen dominica prosequentes monita prout quimus secundum illud evangelii ubi dicitur "date ⁊ dabitur vobis". Qua-

[1] This date has been partly altered by erasure, MS.
[2] Swallowcliff, Wilts, K. !
[3] *Cf.* Thos. of Elmham, ed. Hardwick, p. 20: "A.D. 949. Heresig, minister regis, dedit terram de Swalclive."

propter ego EADREDUS rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistencium gubernator ⁊ rector. cuidam meo homini vocitato nomine. HERESIGE mansam ⁊ dimidiam concedo ubi ruricoli antiquo usu nomen inposuerunt ÆT SPALEÞANCLIFE. Eatenus ut hoc diebus suis possideat tramitibusque vite sue. Et post se maneat prout jam prediximus donum istud ab omni seculari servitio exinanitum cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Excepto istis tribus. expeditione. pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem quod non optamus hanc nostram diffinitionem elationis habitu incedens infringere temptaverit perpessus sit gelidis glaciarum[1] flatibus ⁊ pennino exercitu malignorum spirituum. nisi prius inriguis penitentie gemitibus. Et pura emendatione emendaverit. Istis terminibus[2] predicta terra circumgyrata esse videtur.

[A.] Cotton MS., Julius D. II, f. 106b. | [K.] Kemble *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXVI; from [A.]

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875. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Frytheric, of land at Overton on the R. Kennet,*[3] *co. Wilts.* A.D. 949.

CARTA ! EDREDI ! REGIS ! DE ! OVERTON ! CUIDAM ! SUO ! MINISTRO !

✠ Regnante inperpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Omnipotens factor atque monarchus dispensator in sua unica prescientia quecumque abdita aut sé ostendentia sint inscrutabili atque intelligibili dispensatione disposuit ac gubernat.

Quapropter ego EADREDUS. rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. dedi cuidam meo ministro vocitato nomine. FRYÞERICO. IIIIor. mansas in illo loco ubi jamdudum rur'i'cole illius regionis nomen inposuerunt. ÆT OFERTUNE. Ut terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ. deinceps namque sibi succedenti cui voluerit heredi derelinquat. ceu prædixi illi in æternam hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jocundum, cum omnibus que pertinent sibi. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore. expeditione. pontis. arcisve constructione.

Si qui vero prout non optamus serpentino suggestionis demonice

[1] Glacie, K. [2] -nis, K.
[3] See No. 734, which precedes this in the MS.

toxico inflati hujus tramitis seriem in aliquo temptaverint foedare. Noverint se cum Anna et Zafirra satellitibusque herebica æterne anathematis macera perforandos. Nisi prius digna satisfactione emendare maluerint.

Istis terminibus[1] prædicta terra circumgyrata esse videtur. þis synt þa land gemero to ofertune. Ærest ⁊ lang pusan oþ þa riþe inon þone puda þpeores ofer þone puda on þa stræt ⁊ lang stræte ofer þone broc þonon on þa dic. andlang dic oþ þer dices heafod ⁊ þonne eft on þa ea.

Acta est hec præfata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC XLVIII. Indictione. VI.

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum præfatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis ✠. indeclinabiliter concensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Ƿulfstanus archons divine servitutis officio mancipatus Eborace civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sancte crucis ✠ impressi.

✠ Ego Ælfheah Ƿintaniensis ecclesie episcopus testitudinem sancte crucis ✠ subscripsi et confirmavi.

✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus.	✠ Eadmund minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus.	✠ Ælfstan minister.
✠ Ego Aeþelgar episcopus.	✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus.	✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Æþelstan dux.	✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Eadric[2] dux.	✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Æþelstan dux.	✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Ealhhelm dux.	✠ Æþelnoþ minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 118b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXII; from [A.]

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876. WITENAGEMOT AT SUMURTUN, *co. Somerset. Alliterative and poetical grant*[3] *by King Eadred to Ulfketel, of land at Suthton, or Sutton-on-the-Hill, co. Derby.*[4] A.D. 949.

CARTA EADREDI REGIS DE SUTTONE ANNO DOMINI DCCCC° XLIX.

✠ Cunctis catholice conversantibus certum est quod omnis sapiencia a domino constat esse concessa sagacibus. Quapropter

[1] -nis, K. [2] Eadmund, K.

[3] The division into lines is in some cases difficult, so I have printed this charter in prose, as it appears in the MS. [4] See *Domesday Book*, vol. i. Derbyshire, fol. 273, col. 2.

studendum est toto mentis jam conamine illius opitulante prerogativa qui euuangelico paradigmate protulit dicens. "discite[1] a me quia mitis sum ⁊ humilis corde". discere. intelligere. ⁊ perseverare. quia perseverantibus. finetenus salus promissa est perpetua. Illuc dumtaxat EALDREDUS Rex Ængulsæxna ond Norðhymbra Imperator. paganorum gubernator. Brittonumque propugnator ! cordetenus anhelando. largiflue christicolis. melliflue solicolis lucra confert alacriter. Hoc pro certo ejusdem Regis satrapa ore veridico potest inumare de perenni usurpacione hujus telluris quod sibi suisque heredibus liberaliter preter urbis pontisque constructione seu expedicionis obsequio magnis rebus ac modicis certa terminacione condonavit ULFCETELE quatuor ruris cassata in SCÞTONE. quintum quoque comparavit regali licentia ab aliis. Ast sequitur terminatio.

Contulit nempe miles ipse ULFCETEL magno regis benivolentia mentis intencione quinquaginta cocti auri charismata quodque precium profert ut eo liberius hec libertas perfruentibus autem in evum augeatur.

Si qui vero diabolica fraude decepti hoc regale eulogium denichilent ! ad nichilum redigantur. nisi digne coram Deo reconcilient emendando Amen.

✠ Adest namque dominice incarnacionis annus arithmetica ratione nongentesimus et quadragesimus nonus. In quo denique anno Eadred regali gubernaculo galeatus cum consensu optimatum hanc cartulam consignavit.

. ✠. Oda quoque ærcabissop.
. ✠. atque Ƿulfstan archapresul.
. ✠. Theodredus episcopus consig[navi.]
. ✠. Ædelfled consiliarius cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Ælfred. presul cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Ældric antistes. cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Ƿulfsige pont[ifex] cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Æþelgar. ond Kenpald pontifices. cons[ignaverunt.]
. ✠. Ƿulfhelm biscup cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Cynsige episcopus. cons[ignavi.]
. ✠. Ældred ⁊ Æþelpald scripserunt pontificali auctoritate concordantes.
. ✠. Eya. ⁊ ceteri Duces. Abbates. Ministri. ⁊ Milites. XXV.

[1] Matt. xi, 29.

Tali videlicet stabilitate nobilium notum sit hunc codicellum legentibus quod rex prefatus tercio annorum laterculo quo regalia sublimavit diademata paschali sollempnitate in villa famosissima que vulgari vocabulo SUMURTUN nuncupatur Deo concedente triumphali signaculo hoc prerogativum perpetualiter perfruentibus roboravit.

Mr. W. R. M. Wynne's MS. at Peniarth, No. 150, p. 347.

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877. *Grant by King Eadred to Wulfric, of land at Weligford, or Welford, co. Berks, near Newbury, in exchange for land at Pendyfig, in Cornwall.* A.D. 949.

✠ In æternitate perenni cosmi sother omnia jura regnorum ab alto cæli culmine gubernans ac disponens qui quidem scientiæ dona monstrando indeficienter conspicitur cælum ac terram camposque liquentes lucentemque globum lunæ titaniaque astra sua ineffabili gratia retinens ac custodiens.

Quapropter ego EADREDUS. divina indulgente clementia rex Anglorum. cuidam mihi intimo præcordialis affectu amoris fideli. immo et privilegio dilectionis in omnibus mihi caro vocitato nomine. VVVLFRICO. XVIII. mansas dedi. in illo loco ubi jamdudum solicole illius regionis nomen inposuerunt. ÆT WELIG FORDA. pro commutatione alterius terræ quæ sita 'est' in Cornubio narratur. ubi ruricole illius pagi barbarico nomine appellant. PENDYFIG. quatenus habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat. et post se cuicumque sibi libuerit superstiti derelinquat in æternam hereditatem. Sit autem prædictum rus liber ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis excepto communi labore expeditione. pontis. arcisve coædificatione.

Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stultitiæ temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit. sit ipse gravibus per colla depressus catenis inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum catervas. nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit.

Istis terminibus prædicta terra circumgyrata esse videtur. Þis synt þa land gemæro to peligforda. ærest of pines treopc ⁊lang dene þæt up on þone peg þonon on bradan leage norþe peardre on anne ham ⁊ þonne þurh ut þone lea on anne ham suþe peardne on þa ealdan hege ræpe in on popig hangran of þam hangran on scilling hangran þonon on bradan ham pestepeardne on þam hamme on cardan hlæp on þam hlæpe on lámburnan þonon up

on deoran treope of þam treope on þone elebeam styb þonon on ceolbaldes pylle of þam pylle on cyta sihtes ford os þam forda to pulfrices gemære þonon to hord hlince ufepea`r'dum of þam hlince on sihtre mæde norþepeardre spa forþ on cenelmes stán of þam stane on þone grenan peg on þam pege to rige hamme þonon ut on þa lám pyttas on þane crundel of ðam crundele on þone æsc þonon forþ ofer burnan ⁊lang mylen paþes on þa þrie þornas ⁊ spa forþ ⁊lang hlinces on cardan ham of þam hamme ut þurh þone lea on grenan beorh of þam beorge on ecgunes treop of þam treope on mearc peg þonon on þa dene ⁊ spa forþ to þam þrim gemærum of þam gemærum eft on pines treop.

Acta est hæc præfata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCCXLIX. Indictione. VII.

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum præfatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Eadgifu ejusdem `regis' mater cum sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ conclusi.

✠ Ego Pulfstanus archons divinæ servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracæ civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sanctæ crucis ✠ impressi.

✠ Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ælfheah Wintaniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ crucis ✠ subscripsi et confirmavi.

✠ Ego Pulfsige episcopus consensum præbui figens crucem ✠.

✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus donum regis confirmavi.

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus crucis ✠ vexillo corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus crucis ✠ modum depinxi.

✠ Eadmund dux.	✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Ealhhelm dux.	✠ Æþelsige minister.
✠ Aþelmund dux.	✠ Æþelgeard. minister.
✠ Ælfgar dux.	✠ Ælfheah. minister.
✠ Pulfric minister.	✠ Æþeric. minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister.	✠ Ælfred. minister.
✠ Pulfric minister.	✠ Oserþ.. minister.

Endorsed by a contemporary hand:—"✠ þis is þara. XVIII. hida boc æt pelig forda þe Eadred cing gebocode Pulfrice his

þegne on ece yrfe . ƿiþ þæs landes geƿrixle þe on ƿealum is æt Pendyfig ."; *by one of the xiith century,* "carta de Ƿeliford ."; *by one of the xiiith,* "prima ."; *and by one of the xvth,* "Iste Rex concessit istam terram cuidam amico suo carissimo ."

[A.] Original charter in British Museum, Augustus II, 44.
[F.] Brit. Mus., *Facs.* pt. III. pl. 16.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXXVII; from [A.]
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 38. (Unimportant variations.)
Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 145.
[C.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 196. (Boundaries only.)

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878. *Renewal of a grant by King Eddred to the thegn Wlfric, of land at Merton.* A.D. 949.

CARTA EDDREDI REGIS FACTA WULFRICH MILITI SUO DE MERTON.

In nomine Dei summi et altissimi Jhesu Christi omnia visibilia hujus presentis seculi scimus certissime et sine ambiguitate cotidie manifesta in diversis rebus declarata sunt quod transitoria ac temporalia supernus rector omnia creaverat nisi tantum victum hominibus cotidie per suam largifluam misericordiam distribuit.

Quapropter ego EDDREDUS divina indulgencie clemencia Rex Anglorum dedi cuidam meo fideli ministro ac militi qui ab cunabulis sue infantilitatis non fortuitu sed voluntate parentum nomen accepit. WLFRIC. bis denas mansas aseluli[1] in loco ubi sollicole regionis illius plebili[1] nomen indiderunt AT MERTONE. Actum est hec redintegrum munificencie munus meo meorumque nobilium decreto munitum. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DLXXXXXLIX[1]. indictione septima quod certis apicibus jussi novam carexare[2] cartulam quam jam dudum ejusdem Wolfrici propinqui eandem terram cum rectitudine inviolabiliter possiderunt cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. paschuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore. expedicione pontis. arcisve constructione. hoc futurorum eulogie munusculum in sempiterno grapheo cum signaculo sancte crucis maneat quam diu petra volvens in terra humanis oculis aspicitur et aqua fluctivagis undis creatori omnium creaturarum deserviens si quis reprobus falsis machinacionibus per aliquam scripturam meum donum subvertere conatus fuerit sit ipse in profundo cahos igneis nexibus mancipatus et [e]jus memoria caligine mortis obtecta nisi hic assiduis precibus prius optabilem consequi mereatur indulgenciam.

1 *Sic*, MS.

2 Carax, H.

✠ Ego Eddredus rex Anglorum prefatam donacionem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Eadgif ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis consignavi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benevolenciam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi sub testimonio aliorum multorum.

[A.] Bodl. Libr., MS. Wood I, f. 228. | [H.] Hardy's MSS. in Record Office.

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979. *Grant by King Eadred to his "homo" Ælfsige, the goldsmith, of land in the Isle of Wight and in the Bourne Valley, on the River Lafer, near Laverstock, co. Wilts.* A.D. 949.

ÞIS HIS ÞAS ANES HIÞISCES BOC AT ÞINTERBURNAN 7 ÞAS OÞRES HIÞISCES ON ÞIHT ÞE ÞÆR TO HYRÞ ÞE EADRED CYNG GEBOCODE ÆLFSIGE HIS GOLDSMIÞE OE ECHE HYFTE[1].

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. Anno vero dominice ncarnationis. DCCCCXLIX. Indictione VII^a. ego EADREDUS rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistencium gubernator et rector. Audivi a sapientibus et prudentibus hanc mellitam dulcedinem sermotinationis seriem quod bona voluntas in die examinationis pro bono opere reputabitur. Idcirco dedi cuidam meo homini vocitato nomine ÆLFSIGE. arciselus ob studium quam mihi auri argentique fabrica sollicite deservit atque decorat. duas mansas ei libenter largiendo donavi. Unam mansam in Vexta insula. aliam in gente Geuuisorum. in illo loco ubi solicole regionis illius nomen indiderunt. ÆT WINTERBURNAN. Quatenus ille bene perfruatur ac perpetualiter possideat quamdiu vivat. et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat eternaliter. Sit autem predictum rús liber ab omni fiscali tributo secularium-que servitium exinanitum. Cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. Campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Excepto communi labore. Expeditione pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit. Sciat se in tremendo die judicii rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus. nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit. Istis terminibus predicta terra.

Þis synt þa land gemæro þæs hiþisces æt þinterburnan. Æreat of

[1] Sic, MS.; yrfe, K.

byrhtferþes hlæpe ⁊lang burhpeges to beornpyne stane. of þam stane ⁊lang burh peges to þære stan hypan. þonne nyþer ⁊lang burnan spa seo læfer scæt to healdan hlince. þonen spa seo læfer scæt on þæs deopan fordes ende. of þam forda spa seo læfre scæt on chypmanna ford. of þam forda spa seo læfer scæt on hors pylle. þonon spa seo læfer scæt. eft on byrhtferþes hlæp.

Þis his þæs hipisces land gemæro þe þær to hyrþ on phit. fram hyrste ⁊lang slades to pullafes hlipan. þonon ⁊lang lanan to beorhtnaþes stane. of þam stane ⁊lang lanan to þæs móres heafde ðonon ⁊lang slades ut on scós fleot þonne ⁊lang streames ut on scealdan fleot. þonnen ⁊lang scealdan fleotes up to hyrste.

Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

[E]go Ælfheah Pintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi et confirmavi.

[E]go Ælfric episcopus consensum prebui figens crucem.

Ego Æþelgar episcopus crucis vexillo corroboravi.

Ego Ælfred episcopus confirmavi vexillum crucis.

Ego Pulfsige episcopus crucis modum depinxi.

Æþelstan dux.
Eadmund dux.
Aeþelmund dux.
Eallhelm dux.
Wulfric minister.
Aelfsige minister.
Wulfric minister.
Aeþelgeard minister.
Wulfric minister.
Byrhtferþ minister.
Aelfric minister.
Aelfred minister.
Aelfheah minister.

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 76b.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxviii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 431.

880. *Grant by King Eadred to Canterbury Cathedral, of the Monastery of Reculver, co. Kent.* A.D. 949.

✠ Multis itaque vitiorum prestrigiis mentes humanas incentor fraudulentus peringulando[1] deludit. nunc inquam promissis quasi prolixioris intæ[2] stadiis decipit; nunc rebus migrantibus pervicaciter quasi necessariis inlicit: interea etiam stigia inferni subplicia[3] tamquam levia et transitoria suggerit: quatenus miserorum corda in cupiditate lasciviaque enerviter dissolvat: secumque cabeata ad

[1] Perjug., B. [2] Vitæ, B. [3] Suppl., B.

tartara[1] ducat ; Sed sancti viri presago spiritu bestiales procognoscentes[2] insidias scuto bonæ voluntatis coronati quicquid in semetipsis terrenum sentiunt indesinenter adque naviter operibus sanctis exauriunt[3] unde disscoriatis coram Christo Jhesu meritis rutilantes simillima titanei fulgoris luci presententur ; De quorum preconio tuba sanctæ scripturæ rebohans inter alia testimonia propensius intellegenda nostris hæc gemina auribus resultando profudit ; "Beati[4] quorum vestimenta alba sunt in conspectu domini" et alibi . "justi[5] fulgebunt sicut sol in regno patris eorum" ;

Hujus ergo dominici conspectus et paterni amore regni profusus . unde nobis victus restat sine dubio certus de quo scilicet victu[6] dominis dixit . "beatus[7] qui manducabit panem in regno Dei" ; Ego EADRED rex divina gratia totius Albionis monarchus . et primicerius Christo regi meo . in throno regni perennis per[pe]tualiter subthronizato ⁝ et concessis mihi ab eodem labilium gazis rerum accepti tirocinii quarto mei terrestris regni anno . ad templum sue inconprehensibili dedicatum nomini . in urbe DOROBERNIA Odone archiepiscopo metropolitanam cathedram presidente et regni cælestis super arva Brittannica claves preportante ⁝ monasterium RACULFENSE bis denis senisque æstimatum cassatis interius exteriusque cum omnibus ad hoc rebus rite pertinentibus . sive litorum sive camporum agrorum saltuumve . sicut inferius territoria promulgantur . humillime atque devotissime sincero corde in perpetuum jus quandiu Christianitas vigeat pro meis abluendis excessibus indeterminabiliter inpendo .

Si quis autem quod absit tirrannica fretus potestate regalis æpiscopalis sive homo alicujus dignitatis hoc decretum a Deo mihi conlatum . infringere temptaverit . sive hujuscæ donationis a prefata æcclesia vel passum pedis segregaverit . ni primus hoc inorme scelus poenitendo deterserit . se sacrilegii culpam incurrisse et a domino Jhesu Christo in perpetuum sine ullo subtractionis resocilatu dampnaturum persentiat ; Haec enim singrapha anni dominicæ incarnationis[8]. DCCCCXLIX ⁝ orthodoxorum scripta est unanimo consensu virorum quorum inferius nomina litteraria qualitate distingui videntur ⁝~

✠ Ego Eadred rex divina protegente gratia Albionis summam presidens agiæ crucis hanc cartulam notamine perstrinxi ⁝

[1] -ria, S. [2] Preo-, B. [3] Exhaur-, B. [4] Cf. Rev. vi, 11.
[5] Matt. xiii, 43. [6] De quo, with s[cilicet] victu, overline, B.; defuictoq; A.; showing that A. was copying from B. here, or that B. understood, and A. did not understand, the archetypal charter. [7] Luc. xiv, 15. [8] Incarn., S.

Ego Odo archiepiscopus . metropolitano presidens gubernamina hoc donum regia concessum munificentiæ signo crucis fixi ⁝

Ego Ƿulfstan archiepiscopus metropolici honoris fastigio Eboracensi civitate suffultus huic largitate crucem asscripsi ⁝

Ego Ælfheah episcopus Uuintanensis æcclesie hoc donum signo crucis confirmavi ⁝

Ego Ætehelgar[1] Cridienensis æcclesiæ presul hanc largitatem corroboravi ⁝

Ego Ælfric episcopus hujus donationis constipulator signum crucis depinxi ⁝

Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus hujus largiflui muneris domum[2] regno salubri aduotavi ⁝

Ego Theodred episcopus prodigum hanc inpensionem patibuli confirmatu addidi ⁝

Ego Ælfred episcopus hoc Deo instigante donum crucis Christi constipulatu munivi ⁝

Ego Birhtsige[3] episcopus hujuscæ donationis corroborationem contuli ⁝

✠ Ego Coenpald[4] episcopus consensu adibui ⁝

✠ Ego Cynesige episcopus unamitatem[2] prebui .

✠ Ego Uulfhelm episcopus permissionem profudi .

✠ Ego Eadhelm abbas devotus in hoc prestiti ⁝

✠ Ego Osulf dux consensi et humiliter asstiti .

✠ Ego Eadmund dux libens consilio aderam .

✠ Ego Æðelstan dux prumto animo consensi .

✠ Ego Eadgifu regis genetrix prefati animo hanc prefatam letabundo in Christo largitionem ob optabilem remunerationem concessam signi corroboratione saltiferi[5] humillime consignavi :~

✠ Ego Dunstan indignus abbas rege Eadredo imperante hanc domino meo hereditariam kartulam dictitando conposui et propriis digitorum articulis perscripsi ⁝~

✠ His inquam limitibus hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur . Ærest on n[or]ð healfe . Æðelferðes londe[6] ƿpa forð be sande oþ norð muþan from norþ muþan to macan broc ðonne to ærne ƿege of ærne ƿege to Eanflæde muþan of Eanflæde muþan on mearc fleotes muþan of mearc fleotes muþan eft on Eanflæde muðan ðonne on east healfe to mylen fleotes muðan oð suð tun of

[1] Æthelgar, B. [2] *Sic*, MS. [3] Beorhtsige, B. [4] Cenuuald, B.
[5] Salutif., B. [6] ⁊ on ƿesðan of yfinga ho ut on sæ, B.

suð tune andlang broces to haðe mæringe ðonne on suð healfe of haðe mæringe to stoccum . of stoccum andlong stræte oð sancte Agustines mearce from sancte Agustines mearce oð bróc andlang broces oð stan brycge suð from stan brycge oð pifelinge to Cristes cirican gemære from Cristes cirican gemære oð caldan hege on pest healfe[1] ealdan hege to feaxum . ðonne pest from feaxum to celdan to cinges gemære from cinges gemære oð gata gehægge[2].

Đonne siendan feoper spulung[3] binnan ea ðæs londes þe gebyreð innto raculfe . on tænett feoper spulung[4] ond an læs on paru ðe gebyreð innto raculfe . ðonne is calles þæs landes XXV . spulga[5] ⁊ an spulung[3] on ceolulfing tune suð be pealda þære cirican to bote[6].

Endorsed in a contemporary hand:—" Raculfes boc"; *in one of the xiith century,* " Rex Eadredus dedit ecclesie Christi Cantuarie monasterium de Raculf cum omnibus ad eam rite pertinentibus . tempore Odonis archiepiscopi et hanc cartam dictavit sanctus Dunstanus ." " . latine ."; *and in one of the xiiith century,* " Anno DCCCC° . XLIX° ."

[A.] Brit. Mus., Cotton ch., Augustus II, 57. (An eleventh century copy of the original charter.)
[F.] Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii. pl. 15; from [A.]
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXXV; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 428.
[B.] Ord. Surv., *Facs.*, pt. i, pl. 15; from a very imperfect eleventh century copy in Canterbury Cathedral of the original charter.
[S.] Mr. W. B. Sanders' transliteration of [B.]
[C.] MS. Lambeth 1212, f. 385; from [B.]

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881. *Abridged form of No.* 880.

RACULF.

[✠ A]nno dominice Incarnationis . DCCCCXLIX . Ego EADREDUS Rex . presente venerabili viro . Odone . archiepiscopo ⁊ patre tocius Britannie . ⁊ Eadgiva regina matre mea dedi ECCLESIE CHRISTI IN DOROBERNIA civitate monasterium RACULFENSE cum tota villa ⁊ omnibus ad eam rite pertinentibus . liberam ab omni seculari servitute . exceptis tribus . expedicione . pontis ⁊ arcis constructione . Et ego Dunstanus abbas indignus cartulam inde imperante domino meo rege Eadredo composui ⁊ propriis digitis meis perscripsi .

[A.] MS. Lambeth 1212, p. 332. Twysden, *Hist. Ang.*, col. 2230.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXVI; from [A.]

[1] Of, added, B. [2] peaðeρeard . þanon on yfinga ho . ⁊ spa ut on sæ ., added, B. [3] Sul, B. [4] . IIII . sul, B. [5] Sulunga, B. L. [6] Here L. adds: "Duplicata est hec carta de verbo ad verbum." These two copies are still extant, viz. [A.] and [B.]

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882. *Grant[1] by King Eadred to Wulfric, "miles", of land at Burgtune, on the River Wenris, or Bourton-on-the-Water, on the River Windrush, co. Gloucester.* A.D. 949.

Perpetue libertatu[2] . . . . cælesti paradiso sublimatum Sanctæ ✠ Trinitatis Dei monarchi gubernat magnopere . . . . essentia terrenæ hereditatis territoria cunctis præstat prout vult; Hoc proculdubio prevalet ✠ EADREDUS rex Anglorum gloriossimus rectorque Norþanhymbra et paganorum imperator Brittonumque propugnator intimare Quem rex regum omnipotens regali gubernaculone[3] conflagravit; Quique rex confert alacriter larga lucra lictoribus ut deinceps accipiat caritatis charismata; Ejus donum dignanter . rite refert cum ceteris WULFRÍC miles de perenni hujus ruris libertate quod sibi nunc atque suis contulerat heredibus perfruendum in BURGTUNE nuncupatum; taliterque terminatum in . XII . cassatibus;

✠ Þis synd þara tpentiges hida land gemæra to burhtune ærest of pidig forda ⁊lang peges to pippenespenne . of pippenespenne ! ⁊ lang slades ón turcandene . up ⁊lang dene to þære spelstope syððan ⁊lang foss to þan ealdan sice pið slohterpord . ⁊lang sices on penris . ⁊ lang streames eft on piðig ford :⁓

✠ Þonne is þis þara VII hida land ge mæra æt mæþelgares byrig[4] þe hyrd into burghtune ! ærest of mæþelgeres byrig ón deopancumb of deopancumbe on cpenena broce of cpenena broce up be þam geride . to þam beorgan . of þam beorgan on fiscpille . of fiscpille on mæspille . of mæspille on sealter pille . of sealter pille ⁊ lang broces to þam greatan þorne . of þam þorne on þorn beorh . of þorn beorge on foss eft ⁊ lang foss . þæt in on da eá on pænric . up on stream ✠ oð ðone garan suð peardne . of þam garan on horpyt of horpytte eft on foss . pid suðan þone garan . ⁊lang foss eft on mæþelgares byrig;

✠ Þon is þis þara VII hida land gemæra æt dægeles forda[5] þe hirð into burgtune ! ærest of blædene on mules hlæp ꝥ forð up to heortdune . to hpettan stanes pylle of hpættan stanespille on heort broc of þam broce on þa stige . ⁊lang stige dic ⁊ lang dic on þa str[æ]t tó þære oðere stræt . oþ þære stræt on beagan pille anlang broces eft on blædene !

Adest annus nongente[s]imus quadragenus atque nonus dominici

[1] This charter is apparently alliterative and poetical. [2] For the filling up of these lacunæ, see the next two charters, Nos. 883, 884. [3] *Sic*, MS.
[4] Maugersbury, near Stow-on-the-Wold, co. Glouc. [5] Daylesford, co. Worc.

Incarnatus. Quartus[1] quoque quo regebat. Eadredus Rex regimina et cum archiepiscopus[2] ceterisque consulibus! hanc tellurem ad BURGHTUNE[3] consignavit.

✠ Oda.	Ælfred.	
Ƿulfstan.	Ælfric.	Koenƿald.
Þeodred.	Ƿulfsig.	Ƿulfhelm.
Ælfheah.	Æþelgar.	Cynsige.
Ælbred. roborabant conscribendo cum laicis.		
Hoƿæl rex.	Gunner.	Berhtferþ.
Marcant regulus.	Uhtred.	Æþelgeard.
Osulf beđđ.	Ælfgar.	Ælfnoþ.
Æthelmund.	Scule.	Ælfheah.
Ælhelm	Coll.	Clare.
Yrm.	Morcar.	Ƿigstan.
Grim.	Ƿolfric.	atque Ælfsige.

Dunstan abbas. oñ Oscetel cirepærd triumphali signaculo sigillabant cœlotenus titulantes. A ✠ T.

A.] Old pen-and-ink facsimile of the original charter, Cotton charter viii, 6.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxvi; from [A.] Very incorrect. Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 438.

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883. *Grant by King Eadred to Æþelmær, "præses", of land at Cetwuda and Hildes dun, or Chetwood and Hillesden, co. Buckingham.* A.D. 949.

✠ ÆÞELMÆRES BOOC ÆT CETƿUDA 7 HILDES DUNE TƿUENTIG HIDA ON ÐÆ YRFE.

Perpetuæ[4] prosperitatis privilegium quod constat cælesti paradiso sublimatum sanctæ trinitatis Dei monarchia gubernat magnopere. Que quoque Deitatis essentia terrenæ hereditatis patrimonium cunctis præstat pro ut volt promerentibus. Hoc apparet proculdubio in Rege Anglorum gloriosissimo beato Dei opere precio EADREDO quem Norðhymbra paganorumque seu ceterarum sceptro provinciarum. rex regum omnipotens sublimavit. quique præfatus imperator semper Deo grates dignissimas larga manu subministrat. Cujus regis largitatem ÆÞELMÆRUS presens jam promulgat[5] de perenni vsurpatione terrarum: quem denique

[1] Actum est anno nongentesimo quadragesimo atque anno dominicæ incarnationis quarto, K. [2] *Sic*, MS. [3] Burgtune, K.

[4] This charter appears to be alliterative and poetical in many places, but I have not ventured to divide the lines. [5] Provulgat, K.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and overline the note,

Gould, K.

✠ Æþelmund alderman .
✠ Eadric princeps .
Scule eorl .
✠ Ælfgar comes .
Ælfstan miles ⁊ Eadmund þegn .
✠ Ælfsige miles ⁊ Ƿulfric þegn .
Berhferð miles regis .
Ƿigstan abbud ⁊ Aldredus .
Dunstan abbud .
✠ Eadhelmus ⁊ Æþelgeard :
Berhtsige miles . ⁊ Æþelmær præses .
Ælfheah miles . ⁊ Eadsige .

Hi porro præfati primates regale prærogativum scribendo consignabant cum triumphali vexillo solidantes . Omnes sancti Dei beatificent hoc beneficium stabiliter conservantes ; Si qui vero fraudulenter hanc regalem libertatem minuendo denihilent ad nihilum redigantur , nisí digne coram Deo satis et satis faciant emendantes in melius quod necligenter deliquerant . Adtendat unusquisque fidelium quod imperat auctor Christus . "Date et dabitur vobis" . Amen .

Contulit nempe hic más én[1] . magno regi . II°. cornua auro argentoque decorata . ut eo liberius hoc prerogativum roboretur[2].

Title at end, or endorsement:—Lond æt Ceadeles funtan[3] ⁊ eft Eadréd cing hit ageaf . Æþelmære pið þæm ilcan land . á on ece yrfe þæm ðe him leofast seon[4].

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 143. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxiv ; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 233.

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884. *Grant by King Eadred to Uhtred, Duke and "miles", of land at Badecanwell, or Bucknall-cum-Bagnall, co. Stafford.* A.D. 949.

CARTA EDREDI REGIS DE BAÞECƿALL ANNO DOMINI . DCCCC . XL . NONO .

✠ Perpetue[5] prosperitatis privilegium quod constat celesti culmine collocatum . Sancte trinitatis Dei tripudium rite promerentibus tribuit usurpando . Que adhuc quoque Deitatis essentia terrene hereditatis territoria cunctis prestat prout vult ; hoc pre-

[1] *Sic*, MS. ? = vir ecce.
[2] Here MS. adds: "finis . de in͠ᵗ doct . Owen."
[3] ? Chalfont, co. Bucks.
[4] Here MS. adds: "The original herof was torn and blinded in some places yᵗ y cold not well͠ read ytt."
[5] This charter is evidently alliterative and poetical.

valet. EADRED rex rite Anglorum gloriossimus. rectorque Noþhanhimbra[1]. et paganorum imperator. Brittonumque propugnator. proculdubio jam propalare; quem rex regum omnipotens regali gubernaculo tocius Albionis sublimavit; quique confert alacriter larga lucra crucicolis ut deinceps accipiat caristatis karismata; ruricolis necnon infert perhenniter largitates; Cujus donum dignanter. imo corde collaudat, miles iste UHTRED et dux modeste cum tellure ad BADECANþELLE hilaratus. Preter urbem atque pontem agonem que heredibus usurpata tali terminacio circumcincta[2]. Adest namque annus nongentesimus quadragenus atque nonus. dominice Incarnacionis. quartus quoque quo Eadredus regimina rex regebat et cum archiepiscopis ceterisque consulibus hanc tellurem consignavit.

✠ Oda Þustan. et ceteri Episcopi. Duces Abbates Ministri. et Milites ut supra cum triumphali signaculo sigillabant celotenus titulantes Ā Ʈ sequuntur divise[2].

✠ Hoc dumtaxat coenubium BADECANþELLE Uhtredo heroica auctoritate ditato suisque heredibus magnis rebus ac modicis autem in evum Ealdredus rex largissimus illuc pertinentibus rite crepundiis charaxavit stabiliter jam obsecrat imperando et imperat obsecrando cunctos deinceps successores. ut nullus diabolica fraude deceptus audeat vel priscis codicibus. seu saltim ullatenus hoc regale privilegium adnihilare. sin alias ad nihilum nutu Dei redigantur. nisi dig[n]e[3] coram Deo et angelis reconcilient; pax nobiscum.

Mr. Wynne's Hengwrt MS. 150, f. 348, at Peniarth, Towyn, N. Wales.

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885. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Æðestan, of land at Eatun, or Church Eatun (?), co. Stafford.* A.D. 949.

CARTA EDREDI REGIS DE EATUN. ANNO DOMINI DCCCC°. XLIX°.

✠ Quicquid inter seculares in omnibus agendum est terris ⁝ muniri apertis debetur litteris. ut quod obliviscitur ⁝ mentis memoria presens semper custodiatur littera. ne forte etiam perdatur invidia cupiditatis quod est juste adquisitum dono rectitudinis.

Unde ego EADREDUS nutu gratie Dei Anglorum rex omnibus meis notum volo ⁊ esse fidelibus quod ego cuidam meo fideli ministro onomate ÆDESTAN proprio amabili obsequio. seu etiam

[1] *Sic*, MS. [2] The boundaries are omitted, MS. [3] Dige, MS.

pro sexaginta mancusis de prolato ⁊ purissimo auro! do ⁊ concedo . X . mansas telluris in loco quem circum manentes appellant vulgariter EATUN . ut habeat ⁊ possideat vita comite . Post sue eciam terminum vite cuicumque heredi voluerit derelinquat hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundano servicio . tribus exceptis . viatici pontis restauracione . arcis regalis constructione . populari eciam expedicione .

Si quis vero quod absit cupiditatis flamma accensus hoc nostrum infringere temptaverit donum . Sit dampnatus cum omnibus filiis perdicionis Belial in tartareis tormentis nisi resipiscens digna factione emendaverit .

Hiis autem terminum finibus predicta terra circum circa girata esse videtur . Ærst of þære sud mærdic . ⁊c.

Et ut hec cartula inviolabile robur firmitatis optineat!

✠ Ego Eadredus rex primus regali manu confirmo .
✠ Signum Eadgifu genitricis ejusdem regis .
✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus corroboro.
✠ Ego Þulfstanus Eboracae civitatis archiepiscopus adfirmo .
✠ Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis episcopus contestor .
✠ Ego Ælfeh Þintoniensis episcopus consigno .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus consencio .
✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus delibero .
✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus desidero .
✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus cupio .

✠ Acta est hec cartula anno Incarnacionis dominice . DCCCC° . XLIX . Indictione . VII . Regn[ante] rege Eadredo . anno . II° .

Mr. Wynne's Hengwrt MS. 150, f. 35, at Peniarth, Towyn, N. Wales.

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886. *Grant by King Ethred to the Prince Wulfere, of land at Winterbourne (?), co. Wilts.* A.D. 869 *for* 949[1] (?).

CARTA EDDREDI REGIS FACTA PRINCIPI SUO WULFERO DE WINTERBORNE .

Regnante imperpetuo domino nostro Jhesu Christo summo et ineffabili rerum creatori ac moderatori omnium tempora qui sua multimoda disponens potencia temporibus ut voluerit finem im-

[1] It is quite possible that this is a charter of Æthelred, King of the West Saxons; and if so, is rightly dated 869. Perhaps Edmund the bishop, is for Heahmund. See Nos. 518 520.

ponet . Iccirco cunctis agendum est ut hic bonis actibus future beatitudinis felicitatem adipisci mereantur .

Quapropter Ego ETHERED gracia Dei occidentalium rex dono atque concedo dilecto ac venerabili meo principi WULFERO aliquam partem terre jure[1] mei id est . viginti quinque cassatos in loco qui appellatur BI . WINTERBORNE . in propriam atque perpetuam hereditatem libenter largitus sibi suisque heredibus hoc est ut habeat atque possideat prefatam terram cum omnibus utilitatibus ad eam pertinentibus campis pratis paschuis . et post finem vite illius heredi cuicumque placuerit liberam habeat potestatem . Terra hec predicta secura et immunis permaneat Ab omni regali servicio et omnium secularium servitute nisi expedicione et pontis factione et arcis municione .

Hec sunt termini terre . Erest on endeburgh and so on catholo . þanne on clivesburgh . þanne on crawenburgh þanne on doddam mere þanen on Smaleweẏ þanen os puddokesburghe þanne on Whiteston þanne on Stremeston þanne on þe White weẏe þane on þe redeslo þanne on riȝte Weẏe þanne on egelferdeston þanne on Wulvesburghe þanne on Wringput . þanne on davidisdich þanne eft on endeburgh .

Si quis hanc meam donacionem augere et amplificare voluerit augeat Deus bona illius hic et in futuro . Si quis hoc frangere vel imitare presumpserit sciat se coram Christo et omnibus sanctis in die judicii redditurum racionem nisi ante satisfactione emendaverit . Scripta est hec donacionis cartula anno dominice incarnacionis . D . C . C . C LXIX . his testibus consencientibus quorum nomina infra scripta videntur esse .

✠ Ego Edred Rex consensi et subscripsi .

✠ Ego Edmund episcopus consensi et subscripsi cum multis aliis .

[A.] Bodl. Libr., MS. Wood, i, f. 240. | Hardy's MSS. at Record Office.

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887. *Grant by King Eadred to Glastonbury Abbey, of land at Pucklechurch, co. Gloucester.* A.D. 950.

☧ Domino nostro Jhesu Christo cum coeterno patre et spiritu sancto in eternum regnante . qui ineffabili moderamine universa disponit , ac ne in nichilum defluant potentissime custodit . qui rationabili hominum creature ut mala devitans . bonis perseveranter

[1] -ris, H.

insistat⁻. ammonet . et temporalis lucri commoda cælo recondere mandat . inquiens "Thesaurizate[1] vobis thesauros in cælum".

Quapropter ego EADREDUS gratia Dei Anglorum rex cuidam monasterio quod celebri GLASTINGABYRI nuncupatur onomate . dono quandam villam XXV . cassatorum quae PUCELANCYRCAN appellatur . pro animæ ereptione fratris mei Eadmundi regis quem admodum ipse prius me annuente prædicto loco condonaverat . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum aeterna libertate jocundum cum universis quæ pertinent sibi tam pascuis quam pratis . silvis . etc. solutum omni regali sarcina excepto communi labore expeditione . pontis arcisve edificatione .

Si quis vero contra hanc munificentiam tyrannica potestate inflatus venire temptaverit . aut infringere voluerit . sciat se obstaculum ire Dei incurrere et sanctæ Dei gentricis Mariæ et sanctorum omnium . et in ultimo examine coram Christo et angelis ejus rationem reddere .

Is terminibus predicta terra circumdata videtur . Ærest of Stanforda on tha apuldran . on thone haran stan . Swa on Hennamere . of Hennamere on Gosamere . on stan oran . of stan oran on ꝥ hlipiget . of tham hlypgete and lang hamma of tham hammum on tha radeludan ac . of thære radeludan æc . on cwenan brigce . of cwenan briegce on kynges rode . of cynges rode on Eadwaldingstan . of tham stane in Mucan treow of Mucan treowe on tham apuduran . ꝥ thanon rihte on Fulan broce . ⁊ swa and lang broces on Bydincel of Bydincele on Loddrawyllon of Lodderawyllon on clæg weg . and lang clæg weges on Fulan forda . of tham forda on tha caldan byd and lang byd on Deorham . of Deorhamme on Mærbroc . and lang broces on thone wyrtwalan to tham ac holte . Thonne swa se Wyrtwala sceat on Fearn beorhg . of Fearn beorhgan on tha eggee . And lang eggee swa be tham heafdon on thone graf . swa be tham Wyrtwalan on tha stræt . and lang stræte on Esnes stan . of Esnastanne on thone caldan weg . and lang weges adun be tham graue . swa be tham heafdon on Hundesgeat . of Hundes geate on thone mere . of tham mere swa be Wyrtwalan on tha ealdan dic . of thære dic on sticelan sige[2] of thære stige on Fearn leage on Mær broc . and lang Mær broces on Cuthwealding leage . of thære leage on Mær broc and lang broces on Baddanham . of tham hamme on Byd . and lang Byd on Hreodmorwyllon thanon on haranstan ⁊ swa on Filethham . thanon on Cearcesleage . of Cearces leage on Headdan rode . of Headdan rode on Bydewyllon ⁊ swa on Enelhylle thonne on west weg . of west wege[3] on hric weg .

[1] *Matt.* vi, 20. [2] *Sic*, MS. [3] Wege, MS.

and lang wæges on Wrænnan leage suthe wearde . þ swa on Oxnahealas . Oxna healon on Bicanstige . of Bican stige on Merces feld of Merces felda on Mærbroc of Mær broce on Hlidan . of Hlydan on Mersice of Mærsice on Hegestuldes setl . þ thanon rihte on Willerdes pol . ⁊ swa and lang Fromes . þ up on Cweorn cleofu . thanon rihte on Befer pyttas . ⁊ swa on Hyddes burhg . þ on Æscburhg . of Æscbyrig on clæghyrste on tha ealdan wic . of ealdan wic on Bydanwyrth . of Bydanwyrthe on Sinder ford . of Sinderforda and lang Frome eft on Stanford .

Acta est hæc præfata donatio anno ab incarnatione Domini nostri Jhesu Christi DCCCCL . Indictione VIII .

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum prefatam donationem firmavi ut firmum permaneat et signum triumphale agiæ crucis propriæ manus depinctione impressi .
✠ Ego Eadgifu genetrix prefati regis consensum præbui .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benevolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi .
✠ Ego Wulfstanus archiepiscopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Wulsige episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Alfwold episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Brihthelm episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æthestan dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æthelsige dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Brithferth dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfnoth minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Dunstan abbas ad confirmandum hujus libertatis cartulam signum sanctæ crucis exaravi .

Hanc cartulam ego Eadredus rex propria manu super altare Domini in vetusta basilica sanctæ Dei genitricis Mariæ posui . deprecans Dominum nostrum ut si quis tam inflatus philargiriæ seductus amentia . quod non optamus . hanc nostræ munificentiæ largitatem ausu temerario infringere temptaverit . sit ipse alienatus a consortio sanctæ Dei ecclesiæ . necnon et a participatione sacrosancti corporis et sanguinis Jhesu Christi filii Dei per quem totus terrarum orbis ab antiquo humani generis inimico liberatus est . et cum Juda . Christi proditore . sinistra in parte deputatus . ni prius digna satisfactione hic humilis penituerit quod contra nostrum decretum rebellis agere presumpsit . nec in vita hac practica

veniam . nec in theorica requiem apostata obtineat ullam . sed æternis barathri incendiis trusus . cum Anania et Saphyra miserrimus perpetualiter crucietur . Amen .

Endorsed in a contemporary handwriting:—" ✠ Boc to Pucelancyrcean"; *and in one of the xiiith century,* " Carta regis Eadredi de Pucheleschurche".

Hardy's MSS. in the Record Office. A transcript "ex Autographo ?) penes decanum et capitulum Ecclesiæ Wellensis". (The original charter is not now at Wells.) The letters ƿ, þ, and ð were probably used in the description of the boundaries. At end, a note of the size of the charter:—lin. 30; lat. 13½; alt. 13½.

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888. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfgar, of land at Weonfelda, or Winkfield (?), co. Berks.* A.D. 946 x 951.[1]

CARTA REGIS EDREDI DE ƿEONFELDE.

✠ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi salvatoris omnia visibilia hujus presentis seculi scimus certissime ⁊ sine ambiguitate cotidie manifesta in diversis rebus declarata sunt quod transitoria ac temporalia supernus rector omnia creaverat nisi tantum victum hominibus. cotidie per suam largifluam misericordiam distribuit.

Quapropter ego EADREDUS, divina indulgente clementia rex Anglorum, dedi cuidam meo fideli ministro ac militi qui ab incunabulis sue infantilitatis non fortuitu sed voluntate parentum nomen accepit ÆLFGAR, tres mansas agelluli . In illo loco ubi jamdudum solicole illius regionis nomen imposuerunt . ÆT ƿEONFELDA . Quatenus habeat ac possideat vita comite hoc est quamdiu vitalis spiritus in hac erumnosa vita fragile corpus alucrit postquam vero separatio anime a corpore fuerit quod cunctis mortalibus commune indeclinabiliter[2] cognoscitur cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in perhennem hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . excepto communi labore expeditione pontis . arcisve coedificatione . hoc autem fructuorum culogie munusculum in sempiterno graphio cum singnaculo sancte crucis maneat . quamdiu petra volens in terram humanis oculis aspicitur . et aqua fluctivagis undis creatori omnium creaturarum deserviens .

Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stulticie temeritate jactitando[3] infringere certaverit . sit ipse gravibus per

[1] For note on probable date, see S., vol. ii, p. 509. [2] Inde- of this word on the last line of the page has been repeated in error on the new page, MS.; inde indeclinabiliter, K. [3] Lac., K. S.

colla depressus catenis . inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum catervas . nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit .

Mete de Ƿeonfeld. Istis terminis predicta terra circumgyrata esse videtur . Ðis sindon þa land gemaero . Ærest on hunda leage on græsgsole burnan ⁊ lang burnan on græsgsole hagan ⁊ lang hagan to hagena gemyðum of þen gemyþun on tichan stedes hagan ⁊ lang hagan ut to felda þæt a be pyrtpalan oþ hit cymð ut on fulan Riþe ⁊ lang Riþe ut on doccena ford of þan forda pest be more oþ hit cymð on þone licgendan stoc of þan stocce ⁊ lang hagan ut to heað felda to beorhfeldinga gemaere to þen hagan . ⁊ lang hagan bur .

Testes. ✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque[1].

✠ Ego Eadgifu ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi .

✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum ⁊ benivolentiam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi .

✠ Ego Ƿulfs[t]anus archons servitutis officio mancipatus Eboracæ civitatis archiepiscopus sigillum sancte crucis impressi .

✠ Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis ecclesie episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ælfheah Ƿintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi et confirmavi .

✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus consensum prebui fingens crucem.

✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus donum regis confirmavi .

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus crucis modum depixi .

✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus predictum donum consensi .

✠ Ego Ealhhelm dux .	✠ Ego Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .	✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux.	✠ Ego Þelsige[2] minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar dux .	✠ Ego Æþelgrð[3] minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfric minister.	✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .	✠ Ego Ælfred minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton. Claudius B. vi, f. 42.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXV; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 165.

[1] [roboravi], added, K. [2] Ǽðelsige, K. [3] -geard, K.

889. *Grant by King Edred to his kinsman Elfere, of land at Bocland, or Buckland, co. Dorset.* A.D. 951.

CARTA EDDREDI REGIS FACTA ELFERO SUO PROPINQUO DE BOCLONDE.

Anno ab incarnacione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. D. CCCC. LI. Ego EDRED alubescente gracia Dei rex primicerius tocius Albionis ruris quondam particulam bis denis ab accolis estimatam mansiunculis in loco qui dicitur BOCLANDE liberam preter arcem pontem expedicionemque. ELFERE propinquo meo in eternam pos[s]essionem libenter admodum largitus sum sine hoc precipiens quatinus nostrorum Christiano vigente imperio nemo successorum hoc nostrum donum sine vindicta Dei audeat violare. et hiis limitibus hec telluris prefate pars circumquaque cingi videtur.

℃ Erest on bosanstok' on frisingmede þanen on Murstanwere of þan were on plimenforde of þan ford' on Carswelle of þan welle on brokanberwe on þan berwe on kunemersdone[1] of þer donne on on Wlfbergh' of þan berghe on vrowandeswelle[2]. Et hujus doni testes exstiterunt quorum inferius nomina subscribuntur.

✠ Et ego Eddred rex hoc donum meum signo sancte crucis confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus hoc donum signo crucis perstrinxi.

✠ Ego Dunston abbas consensi et scribere jussi sub testimonio multorum.

[A.] Bodl. Libr., MS. Wood, I, f. 224. | [H.] Hardy's MSS. at Record Office.

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890. *Grant by King Eadred to Wulfhelm, "miles", of land at Mærcham, or Marchanton under Needwood, Marchington on the R. Dove, in Hanbury, co. Stafford.* A.D. 951.

CARTA EDREDI REGIS DE MARCHANTON SUB NEDWODE. DCCCC. LI°.

✠ Prophetica[3] primitus predicacio. ⁊ apostolica deinceps disceptacio. ⁊ quod precellentior est euuangelica Jesu Christi promulgatio cuncti indicat dogmata dicens. "Date[4] et dabitur vobis".

Ideoque EADREDUS rex Anglorum quos vult honorifice larga manu locupletat. Hoc potest veraciter miles iste PULFHELMUS cum ceteris intimare. Quem perhenni hujus ruris ÆT MÆRCHAM usurpacione. preter urbis. pontisque constructione. ⁊ expedicionis

[1] Kimersdune, H. [2] Brow., H.

[3] This charter is apparently alliterative and poetical. [4] Luc. vi, 38.

obsequio beatizat. Concedens ei ejusque heredibus hanc tellurem magnis rebus ac modicis rite pertinentibus perfruendam . . . ~

✠ Eadred rex Albionis alma jam manu hanc munificentiam anno dominice Incarnacionis DCCCC^mo^. ⁊. LI°. sexto quoque quo sceptra regebat regalia annorum laterculo cum consensu senatorum quorum hic calculantur vocabula triumphali videlicet vexillo stabiliter roboravit.

✠ Oda archiepiscopo cum ceteris suffraganeis.

✠ Theodredo. Alfrico ꞉ Ƿulfsigio ꞉ Ælfredo ꞉ Cynsigio ꞉ Koenpaldo ꞉ Æðelgario ꞉ Ƿulfhelmo ꞉ Oscetelo sagaciter consignavit.

✠ Duces ⁊ oerles sex conscribebant. Ministri ⁊ prefecti. quinque sigillabant.

✠ Eaðhelm ꞉ abbas atque Dunstan cum signo ✠ sancte Crucis hec karismata karaxabant.

Jam imperat rex prefatus obsecrando ⁊ obsecrat imperando per clavem euuangelicam quam Petro ipse Jhesus Christus auctore apostolico contulit ligandi atque solvendi potestate tradita quatinus in posterum nullus diabolica fraude deceptus prevaleat hujus largitatis libertatem delere. set pocius qui studeat adimplere eulogium largitoris ꞉ larga lucra coram Christo integra karitate cum choris angelicis Jhesuali gymnasium sine fine inveniat amen.

Ærest of denes broke an gillundes dic. Of ðere dic ꞉ On hine hylle. Of hine hille ꞉ On pire broc. Of pirebroke ꞉ On pirepasse. Of pirpasse ꞉ On ðane hpitan mor. Of þan pitan mor ꞉ On ðæn michalen ac. Of ðære mycelen æc ꞉ On stenges healh. Of stenges heale ꞉ On potteres lege. Of potteres leage ꞉ On Cundesleage. Of Cundes lege ꞉ On cundes fenne. Of cundes fenne ꞉ On lind broc. Of lind broce ꞉ On holan broce. Of holan broke ꞉ An dufan[1]. And long dufan ꞉ eft innan denes broc.

Mr. W. R. M. Wynne's Hengwrt MS. 150, p. 349.

[1] River Dove, between Staffordshire and Derbyshire.

891. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfeah, of land at Norð-tune, or Norton-under-Cannock*[1](?), *co. Stafford.* A.D. 951.

CARTA EADREDI REGIS ANGLORUM DE NORDTUNE. DCCCC. LI°. INDICTIONE IX.

P ✠ Domino dominorum dominante in secula seculorum regna regnorum hujus presentis seculi transeunt sicut ignominica ⁊ omnis gloria. ⁊ locus hujus mundi peribit. et non sunt eterna. set superna eterna sunt.

Vnde ego EADRED rex Anglorum gubernator ⁊ rector Cuidam mihi fidelissimo ministro quem vocitant nonnulli noto vocamine ÆLFEAH. VIII. cassatos perpetualiter. concedo in illo loco ubi jam dudum solicole illius regionis nomen indiderunt. ÆT NORDTUNE. ut habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat. et postquam universitatis viam adierit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat. in eternam hereditatem. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali servicio cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. sine expedicione ⁊ pontis arcisve instructione.

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violari satagerint! agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinacionis die arbitris sibi dicentis. "discedite[2] a me maledicti in ignem eternum" ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena! si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint penitentia. Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus. ⁊c̄.

Hec carta karaxata est anno ab Incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi! DCCCC. LI°. Indictione. IX.

✠ Ego Eadred rex Anglorum prefatam donacionem indeclinabiliter concessi.

✠ Ego Eadgifu ejusdem regis mater cum sigillo sancte crucis ✠ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobernensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis donacionem subscripsi ⁊ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Ælfheah Ƿintaniensis ecclesie episcopus triumphalem tropheum agie crucis impressi.

✠ Ego Cynpald episcopus consignavi.

✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi.

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus non renui.

[1] Norton in Scarsdale, co. Derby, near Chesterfield, according to Dugdale Mon. Angl., vol. iv, p. 38. [2] Matt. xxv, 41.

✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus conclusi.

✠ Edmund dux.	✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Aþelstan dux.	✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ealhhelm dux.	✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Æþelmund dux.	✠ Ælfgar minister.
✠ Æþelsige. dux.	✠ Birhtferþ minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.	✠ Ordeah minister.
✠ Æþelgeard minister.	✠ Ealdred minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.	✠ Ælfric minister.

Mr. W. R. M. Wynne's Hengwrt MS. 150, p. 380.

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892. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Cifan lea, or Chieveley, co. Berks.* A.D. 951.

ÞIS[1] IS ÞARA FIF ⁊ TƿENTIGA HIDA BOC ÆT CIFANLEA ÞE EADRED CING GEBOCADE ƿULFRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE.

CARTA DE CIUELEA[2].

✠ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. omnibus quibus christianitatis censuram a Dei arcipotentis poli per suam largifluam misericordiam concessum est quod hujus instantis labentisque vitæ prosperitas totis nisibus restaurare perditos ac nefandos per illius auxilium possumus seu psalmographus[3] fando[4] dixit. "Initium[5] sapientiae timor domini".

Quamobrem ego EADREDUS divina indulgente clementia rex Anglorum cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato ƿULFRICO[6] XXV. mansas cum pascua quæ in quodam monte habetur quem[7] a me impetravit æternaliter concedo in illo loco ubi jam dudum ruricolæ illius terræ nomen indiderunt ÆT CIFANLEA. quatenus habeat ac possideat quandiu[8] vitalis spiritus alucrit corpus. cum autem dissolutionis suæ dies advenerit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu supra diximus in æternam hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jocundum. cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore expeditione pontis arcisve coedificatione.

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violare satagerint agminibus tetræ caliginis lapsi vocem

[1] Title omitted, B. C. [2] Carta Regis Edredi de Chivelea, B.; Carta Eadredi Regis de Civelea, C. [3] Psalmig., B. C. [4] Ita fando. B. C. [5] Ps. cxi, 10; Prov. i, 7; ix, 10; Eccli. i, 16. [6] Wlf., C. [7] Quam, K. [8] Quamdiu, B.

audiant examinationis[1]. die, arbitris[2] sibi di ... ntis. "Discedite[3] a me maledicti in ignem æternum" ubi cum ... demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pœna. S ... non ante mortem digna emendaverint pœnitentia :~:~

[4]Istis terminis praedicta terra circumgyrata e ... videtur[5].

Þis synt þa land gemæra to Cifanlea.

Ærest of catbeorge ⁊lang peges on Aþelunes þorn þonon[6] ⁊lang peges on seal hangran estpearlne[7]. þonon ⁊lang[8] peges on þa byrgelsas. þonon[9] ⁊lang byden hæma gemæres[10] on þa haran apoldre þonon[9] on orhæma[11] gemære[12] ⁊lang þæs gemæres[10] on Ciltepudes gemære[12] to þan[13] stane. þonon[14] pest ⁊lang peges to þan[13] hæcce þonon[14] ⁊lang gemæres to þan[13] crundle. þonon ⁊lang gemæres to þan[13] oþrum crundle[15] þonon[14] to þan[13] pón stocce ⁊ þær to puda. þonon[14] on þa syrfan. þonon[14] ofer hean hrycg[16]. þonon[9] on þæs cinges hagan. þonne þær pest ⁊lang hagan on Hnæfleage suþepearde[17] þonon[9] ⁊lang hagan to þam bæce of þam bæce þær norþ ut an þone lytlan hæþfeld þonon[9] ⁊lang peges be Pinterburninga gemære be pestan þære ealdan byrig on þone stanihtan peg to þam[18] stan cystlun[19]. þonon on þa ⁊heafda þonne þær pest on þone[20] burnan butan six[21] æcerū[22]. þonne[23] þær[24] norþ án furlang þonne þær pest ofer þa tpegen beorgas to þam[18] hearpoþe. norþ ⁊lang herpoþes[25] on bradan ford þær pest ⁊lang burn stope to ildan stane þonne þær east[26] ⁊lang peges on stán dene þonon pest to þam[18] pyrtpalan[27] þonon norþ to sceaphammas. þonon on gerihta þær tún pegas ut sceotaþ. þonon[9] on gerihta to þære haran apoldre. of þære[28] haran apoldre þurh þone tún to þan rupan crundle[29]. þonon ⁊lang gemæres on þone lytlan beorh. up on mules dune. of þam[18] beorge ⁊lang gemæres on hrycg[30] peg ⁊lang hrycg peges oþ catmeres gemære. þonne þær east[26] ⁊lang gemæres on puttan pyt. of þam[18] pytte ⁊lang gemæres eft on catbeorh.

Acta est hæc præfata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu. Christi. DCCCCLI. indictione. IX[31].

✠ Ego Eadredus rex Anglorum præfatam donationem sub

[1] Glossed, ". i. judicii", MS. [2] *Sic*, MS. [3] Matt. xxv, 41. [4] *Mete de Chirslecia*, rubric, B.; *Mete . xxv . hidarum apud Cirelan*, rubric, C. [5] This sentence omitted, C. [6] þanon, C. [7] Eastepearde, B.; Eastepeardne, C. [8] -gen, C. [9] þoñ, B. [10] Gemeres, C. [11] -hema, C. [12] Gemere, C. [13] þam, C. [14] þoñ, B.; þanon, C. [15] Crundele, B. C. [16] Hricg, C. [17] -dne, C. [18] þan, B. [19] -um, C. [20] þone, B. [21] . vi., B. [22] .Æcera, B. [23] þonne, C. [24] þære, C. [25] Herpaþas, B. [26] Est, B. [27] peart., B. [28] þaere, B. [29] Crundele, B. [30] Hricg, C. [31] ind. ix, omitted, C.

sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠[1] indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Eadgifu[2] ejusdem[3] mater cum sigillo sanctæ crucis confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobernensis ecclesiæ archiepiscopus[4] ejusdem regis principatum et benevolentiam[5] sub sigillo sanctæ crucis ✠ conclusi.

✠ Ego Þeodred Lundoniensis ecclesiæ episcopus corroboravi.

Ego[6] Ælfheah Ƿintaniensis ecclesiæ episcopus testudinem sanctæ crucis ✠ subscripsi et confirmavi[7].

✠ Ego Ælfric episcopus consensum praebui figens crucem.

✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus donum regis confirmavi.

✠ Ego Æþelgar episcopus crucis ✠ vexillo[8] corroboravi.

✠ Ego Ælfred episcopus confirmavi vexillum crucis.

✠ Ego Byrhtsige episcopus crucis modum depinxi.

✠ Eadmund[9] dux.

✠ Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ealhhelm[10] dux.
✠ Aþelmund[11] dux.
✠ Ælfgar dux.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ælfhhea[h][12] minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ælfnoþ minister.
✠ Byrhtferþ minister.
✠ Ƿulfstan minister.
✠ Byrhtsige minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 155; from the original charter formerly in the possession of "Mr. Owen".
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxx; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 234.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 39.
[C.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 109. Boundaries. f. 190.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 151.

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893. *Grant[13] by King Eadred to Ælfsige, "miles", of land at Haddedune, or Haddon, near Normancross, co. Huntingdon.* A.D. 951.

EADREDUS rex Anglorum quos vult honorifice larga manu locupletat. Hoc potest veraciter miles iste ÆLFSIGE nunc cum cæteris intimare quem perenni hujus ruris ÆT HADDEDUNE usurpa-

1 Cross omitted, B. C. 2 -gira, C. 3 Regis, added, B. C.
4 Conclusi. Et multi alii consenserunt et subscripserunt, C., and ends here.
5 Beni., B. 6 ✠ Ego, B. 7 Ƿuint. eccl. episc. corroboravi, B.
8 Vex. cruc., B. 9 Ego, before each name to the end, B. 10 Ealhhem, B.
11 Æþ., B. 12 Ælfheh, B.
13 This charter is evidently alliterative and poetical.

cione preter urbis pontisque constructione et expeditionis obsequio beatizat, concedens ei ejusque heredibus cum omnibus rite pertinentibus, perfruendum. Eadred rex Albionis hanc munificentiam anno dominice incarnationis. 951. sexto quoque quo sceptra regebat regalia annorum laterculo cum consensu senatorum quorum hic calculantur[1] vocabula triumphali videlicet vexillo stabiliter roboravit v[e2] limites ejusdem Saxonico ydiomate.

[A.] Add. MS. 5937, f. 180. (Extracts from the Register of Thorney Abbey.) Collect. Topogr., vol. iv, p. 67. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXVII; from [A.]

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894. *Grant by King Eadred to Wulfsige, Bishop of Sherborne, of land at Thornford, on the R. Yeo, co. Dorset; with reversion to Sherborne Minster.* A.D. 903 *for* A.D. 946 × 12 *March* 951.

CARTA VIII HIDARUM APUD TORNEFORD.

✠ Oportet nos ergo fratres karissimi istum contempnere mundum ut possimus sequi salvatorem nostrum. Caveamus ne perdamus vitam perpetuam propter vanam hujus mundi gloriam. Quid enim sit hodie aspicimus, sed quid cras futurum sit unusquisque nostrum nescimus. Transeunt hujus vitæ dies velut umbra et incerta est hora unicuique nostrum quando revertatur pulvis in pulverem et spiritus redeat ad dominum qui dedit illum, ut judicetur secundum opera sua.

Quamobrem Ego EADRED Occidentalium Saxonum rex pro amore Dei et pro remedio animæ meæ et pro remissione peccatorum meorum do atque concedo meo dilectissimo ac fidelissimo WULFSIGE episcopo aliquam partem terræ, hoc modo dicendum est, octo cassatos in illo loco qui dicitur THORNFORD ita ut habeat atque possideat cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus quamdiu in hac vita vixerit; et post obitum suum reddatur terra jam dicta sine aliqua contentione et lite ad refectionem familiæ SCIREBURNENSIS ecclesiæ, et illud ab omnium secularium rerum[3] liberam[4] esse concedo, nisi quod omni plebe commune est expeditione et pontis instructione et arcis munitione, et hoc sit tam firmiter constitutum omnibus diebus Christianitatis quasi libertas illa constituta est, quamdiu fides crescit in gente Anglorum, et qui hoc augere voluerit, augeat Deus bona illius in regione viventium.

Si autem aliquis diabolica fraude deceptus in magnis aut in modicis hoc infringere vel minuere temptaverit sit anathematizatus

[1] -lans. K.
[2] Vero, K.
[3] There seems to be a word wanting here.
[4] Sic, MS., H.

ab omnibus fidelibus hic et in futuro seculo nisi ante satisfactione emendaverit.

✠ Ego Eadredus rex huic[1] libertatem et donationem cum signo sanctæ crucis firmavi.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus hoc firmando signum sanctæ crucis impono.

✠ Ego Theodredus episcopus consensi et subscripsi.

✠ Ego Ælfeah episcopus.

✠ Ego Wulfhelm episcopus.

✠ Ego Æthelstanus dux.

✠ Ego Wulfric minister.

✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.

✠ Ego Æthelric minister.

✠ Ego Beorhtulf minister.

✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.

✠ Ego Wulfstan minister.

This synd tha land ge mæru. On east healfe on Cumtun bricgge upon tha lace oth ran wylle, of ran wylle upon thone eastemestan holan weg up to hricgge, and lang hrigeges west be ecge on mere, thonon on lyngærstun eastewerdne, thonon on slæw, thone and lang streames on gifle, oth mylenburnua ut scyt up on stream eft to Cumtun bricgge.

Annus Dominicæ incarnationis DCCCC. III. Indictione XI.

[A.] *Registr. Scireburn*, penes D. Th. Phillipps, Bart., f. 9 (xiith cent.); transcript in [H.] Hardy's MSS. in Record Office.

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895. *Grant by King Eadred to the vassal Ælfwine, of land at Beorcham, or Barkham, on the R. Lodder or Loddon, co. Berks.* A.D. 952.

✠ ÐIS[2] IS ÞARA ÞREORA HIDA LANDBOC ÆT BEORCHAMME ÞE EADRED CYNING GE BOCODE ÆLFƿINE HIS ÞEGENE ON ECE YRFE.

✠[3] Mundi hujus labentibus temporibus regnaque functi cum Regibus velocissimo transeuntibus cursu licet stare firmiter a priori firmiter statu videatur cito labi nulli sapienti[4] ignotum est et gaudia hic fallentes[5] vitæ quatiuntur ac dissipantur.

Quamobrem ego EADRED Rex Anglorum quandam telluris particulam trium videlicet cassatorum illo in loco qui a ruricolis noto BEORCHAM appellatur vocabulo cuidam vassallo qui a gnosticis ÆLFƿINE nuncupatur vocabulo ob fidele ejus obsequium perpetua largitus sum hereditate[6] ut ipse vita comite cum[7] omnibus ad se rite

[1] *Sic*, MS.

[2] Rubric in B., Carta Regis Eadredi de Beorcham.

[3] Monogram omitted, B.

[4] -te, B.

[5] *Sic*, MS., B.; -tia, K.

[6] Heditate, B.

[7] Com, B.

pertinentibus hilaris possideat et post vitæ suæ terminum quibuscumque voluerit heredibus immunem derelinquat[1]. Sit autem predicta tellus libera omni jugo servitutis tribus exceptis rata videlicet expeditione pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem hanc nostram munificentiam in aliud quam constituimus transmutare voluerit sit ipse[2] anathema. nisi prius hic ante obitum suam reus penituerit. quod contra nostrum deliquit decretum.

His metis supra dictum rus hinc[3] inde giratur.

[4]Ꝥis synd þara þreora hida londgemæro to Beorcham.

Ærest þæt[5] of Ceollanpylle and lang riþe to yge to þæs hagan end þonne and lang hagan to Cnottinga[6] hamme þonne of Cnottinga[6] hamme forþ be pyrtpalan and lang slades to hpitan stane þonne from[7] hpitan stane and lang stræt to Loddera stræt[8] þonne of Loddera[9] stræt eft to Ceollanpylle.

Anno dominicæ incarnationis DCCCC LII scripta est hec carta his testibus consentientibus quorum inferius nomina scripta videntur.

. [10]✠. Ego Eadred rex hoc regale Eulogium triumphali vexillo stabilivi.
. ✠. Ego Oda metropolitanus consignavi.
. ✠. Ego Eadgifu ejusdem regis mater confirmavi.
✠. Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi.
✠. Ego Osulf episcopus subscripsi[11].
✠. Ego Oscytel episcopus[12].
✠. Ego Alfpold episcopus[12].
✠. Ego Pulfsige episcopus[12].
✠. Ego Dunstan abbas.
✠. Ego Æþelstan[13] dux.
✠. Ego Æþelmund dux.
✠. Ego Eadmund dux.
✠. Ego Ælfnoþ minister[12].
✠. Ego Pulfric minister.
✠. Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠. Ego Pulfgar minister[14].
✠. Ego Æþelgeard[15].
✠. Ego Ælfgar[15].
✠. Ego Byrhtferþ[15].
✠. Ego Osulf minister.
Ego Ealdred minister.
✠. Ego Ospig minister.
Ego Osperd[16] minister.
✠. Ego Lyuinge minister.

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, p. 166. (From a copy of the original charter.)
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. ccccxxxiii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 226.
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 41A
[S.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 162.

1 -quit, B. 2 Ipse, B. 3 Hunc, S. 4 Mete, rubric, added, B.
5 þ, B. 6 Cnotinga, B. K. 7 Fram, B. K. 8 -ta, B. K.
9 Loddrera, B.; Loddara, S. 10 Testes, rubric in B. 11 Consensi, B.
12 Consensi, added, B. 13 -stan, B. 14 MS. adds here: "habui de m[illegible]. Dect. Owen." 15 Minister, added, B. 16 Ofpord, B.

896. *Dedication Verses in praise of Wlfstan,*[1] *Archbishop of York.* A.D. 931 × 26th Dec. 956.

Qui legis hunc titulum domino da vota tonanti .
Archi pontifice pro UULFSTANO venerando;

Floret in hoc opere pia mentio presulis archi .
Wlfstani cui det dominus pia regna polorum .
Et[2] sibi commissos tueatur ab hoste maligno ;

Pontificis bonitas manet hic memoranda ierarchi .
Wlfstani supero qui sit conscriptus in albo

Est laus Uulfstano mea pulchritudo benigno .
Pontifici cui sit dominus sine fine serenus ;

Comere me comiter jussit ita presulis archi
Wlfstani pietas data sit cui arce corona .

Presule Uulfstano hoc opus est censente paratum .
Pollice quod docto inpressit subtilis aliptes .

MS. Cotton, Vespasian A. xiv, f. 148A.

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897. *Letter from W—— to Wlfstan, Bishop of London, excusing himself from preparing a Latin translation of some secret communications.* A.D. 951 × 953.

Domino illustrissimo . Atque diviuis dogmatibus et operibus plenissimo . Metropolitanæ Lundoniae ecclesiae pontificum dignissimo . VVLFSTANO . Cunctorum sanctae crucis caracterem gestantium famulus supplex . Ƿ . Virtutum omnium expetibilem . ubertatem ! Summamque inter apostolicos doctores cœlo fulgidos felicitatem ;

Quia salutare preceptum beatitudinis vestrae quae me quadam sapientie prerogativa nescio unde arbitrata florere ! Archana quæ nostis meis studuit auribus insinuare . quae litteris Latinis deberem commendare . impotens sum patrare !. In multa cordis flu\`c´tuatione mæ scitote laborare ; Enímvero si hanc jussionem vestram

[1] Wlfstan, Bishop of London, flourished at this period, A.D. 951 × 953, and the MS. A. contains in another place a remarkable letter to this prelate, which forms No 897 of this series. It is not improbable that the persons are one and the same, and that one or other of the two ecclesiastical dignities was held *in commendam* with the other.

[2] Added afterwards in a smaller hand.

quæ divine dulcedinis absque dubio fert jocunditatem fructuosa obœdientia explere valerem ! tempestuosae conscientiae meae cupítæ temperi ei tranquillitatem obtinerem ; Igitur quia sic mihi fluctuanti haec denegatur tranquillitas optima ! Multum expavescens quo indignationis vestrae offensam mea patiatur supplex et artibus omnibus nuda inopia ! Ad poenam suam satis sibi sit queso magna quam sustinet verecundia ; Hanc inquam verecundiam ipse in me acriter reprehendo ! quia ipsam adeo mihi molestam non sustinerem ! si quod mihi inposuistis me expleturum non devoverem ! Siquidem spem aliquantulam habebam me in hoc negotio posse oboedire ! Quando que jussus fueram ad primum studui inire ! Sed revera postmodum diligenter dulcissimam eloquii vestri considerans sagacitatem ! decenterque disposite narrationis prolixitatem simulque profunditatem ! Me ad hec transferenda nullam reputo habere facultatem ! Attamen si temporis opor'tu'nitatem et lingue nostræ preducem sonoritatem haberem ! Piis imperiis vestris quóquómodo parére valerem ! Vos ergo clementer hanc excusatoriam suscipientes querimoniam ! Ejus pro amore qui nos cotidie audit plus sibi promittere quam perso'l'vere ! Insipientiæ meæ que amplius quam potuit non puduit promittere dignemini parcere ;

Omnipotens dominus ad suae utilitatem ecclesiae dies vestros in sua pace disponat ! Atque vos cum multiplici numero commissarum vobis animarum ad gaudia celestia perducat . VALETE ;

MS. Cotton, Vespasian A. xiv, f. 178. (Contemporary.)

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898. *Grant by King Adred to Queen Adgiva, his mother, of land at Felkham, or Felpham, near Bognor, co. Sussex.* A.D. 953.

Anno ab incarnacione domini nostri Jhesu Christi D . CCCC . LIII . ego ADRED Rex Christo perpetualiter superni numinis intuitu subtronizato preregente et eque illo confavente totius Albionis primicherius et famose famule Dei ADGIVE matri mee sub instinctu divini timoris terre particulam sub estimacione . XXX . mansionum in loco qui dicitur FELHHAM libentur admodum inperpetuum cui sibi placuerit derelinquendi concedo et hiis limitibus hec telluris particula libera preter arcem . pontem expedicionem circumgirari videtur .

Arest of elmerespole on biken muþe swo anlang brines fleotes ! to tilbirhes forde . swo on sa of sa . on þane stapel . of þanne stapele ! eft in tilbirhthes forde . of þanne forde ! eft þanen on stanford . of stanforde ! eft on almeres pol .

Et hec sunt pascua porcorum quatuor mansiones in loco qui dicitur Boganora at Hidhirst[1] in silva et in communi silva pascuale quod dicitur Palinga Schittas[2] . Et hujus munificentie constipulaciones sunt nomina quorum infra conrecitari videntur . Hujus doni munificentiam signo crucis corroboro .

Ego Odo Christi ecclesie archon . ✠ .
Ego Alured episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Athelgar episcopus et ceteri multi . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Harl. 61, f. 12. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxxii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 431.

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899. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfsige and his wife Eadgifa, of land at Æscesburh, or Ashbury, co. Berks.* A.D. 953.

CARTA REGIS EADREDI . DE ESCESBEURH .

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . LIII . Ego EADRED divina gratia favente rex ⁊ primicerius tocius Albionis ÆLFSIGE ministro meo ⁊ sue conjugi EADGIFE ob ejus amabile et fidele obsequi'o'lum ruris particulam sub estimatione . XXX . III . cassatorum in loco qui dicitur ÆSCESBURH libenter admodum concessi eo tenore hujus munificentie donum perstringens ut post obitum suum in perpetuum jus cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat .

Quod si quisque quod non optamus hujusce donationis cartulam infringere temptaverit nisi prius in hoc seculo digne castigetur in futuro perenni cruciatu prematur . Et his limilitibus[3] hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur .

Ærest 'in' æt þam suð geate ⁊ ut æt þan norþ geate on dude beorh ⁊ þanne on eceles beorh . ⁊ þanne on hring pyt . ⁊ þanne on þa and heafdu . ⁊ þanne on þa cealc seaþas ⁊ þanon on þone bradan . meare ⁊ þanon ⁊ lang dices on clænan mæde ⁊ þanne on þone bradan peg on butan mor dune on ðyreses lace ⁊ þanon on læces mere norþe pearde ⁊ þanne ⁊ lang mores be þan norþ stane ⁊ þanne þpyres ofer þone mor on bulan dic ⁊ spa andlang dices to æþelferðes mearce . on bulen dices ende on þone þorn styb . ⁊ þanne on talleburnan ⁊ þonon to þæres halgan stope ⁊ sua up ⁊lang broces . to aþelferþes mearce peste pearde ⁊ spa ⁊lang mearce to hremnes byrig to þan norþ geate ⁊ ut æt þan suþ geate on hodan

[1] *Sic*, MS. ? Madehurst, co. Sussex. [2] *Cf.* Pallingham, on the river Arun, co. Sussex. [3] *Sic*, MS.

hlæp ⁊ þanne on stan hlæpan ⁊ þanne to þan 'redan' hole ⁊ þanne to þan dunnanhole ⁊ spa be þan hlide ⁊ þanne on domferðes hest on tættaces stan ⁊ þanne on hundes hlæp ⁊ þanne on hafoces hlæp. ⁊ þanne on þone scortan dic. ⁊ þanne on þa langen dic to æscesbyris eft to þan suþan geate.

Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inferius notata videntur.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.

✠ Ego Ælfred	episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.	
✠ Ego Pulfsige		✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Æþelgar		✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Osulf		✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm		✠ Ego Osferð minister.
✠ Ego Cynsige		✠ Ego Ælfnoð minister.
✠ Ego Ceonpold		✠ Ego Byrhferð minister.
✠ Ego Leofpine		✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 38b. Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 189. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXVIII; from [A.]

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900. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfric, of land at Cusanricge, or Curragc*[1] *in Chieveley, co. Berks.* A.D. 953.

CARTA REGIS DE CUSANRICGE.

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LIII. Ego EADRED divina gratia favente rex et primicerius tocius Albionis ÆLFRICO ministro meo mihi carnaliter adstricto ob ejus amabile et fidele obsequiolum ruris particulam sub estimatione. V. cassatorum in loco qui dicitur CUSANRICGE. libenter admodum concessi eo tenore hujus munificentie donum perstringens ut post obitum suum in perpetuum jus cuicumque voluerit derelinquat heredi! quod si quisque quod non optamus hujusce donationis cartulam infringere temptaverit nisi prius in hoc seculo digne castigetur in futuro perenni cruciatu prematur. ⁊ his limitibus hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur.

Mete. Þis synd þa land gemære æt Cusan hRicge þara fif hida ærest on mær peg on lang mær peges on þa heccan ⁊ lang heccen on þa haran þyrnan of þære þyrnan on cynewalhes treop ꝥ andlang beorpaþes on grenan dene þonne ⁊ lang þæs ealdan peges on linleahe ꝥ ondlang heccan on þa[2] crundol ꝥ ofer þone hric eft on merpeg ⁊ on þan gemanan lande gebyrað þarto fif ⁊ sixti æccera.

[1] From S. [2] Haran, here in MS., expuncted.

Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inferius notata videntur.

Testes. ✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Pulfstan archiepiscopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.

✠ Ego Ælfred
✠ Ego Ælfsige
✠ Ego Pulfsige
✠ Ego Alfpold
✠ Ego Osulf
✠ Ego Byrhelm
✠ Ego Coenpold
✠ Ego Cynsige
✠ Ego Leofpine
} episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.

✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfnoð minister.
✠ Ego Byrhferð minister.
✠ Ego Æþelsige minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 40.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 156; ii, p. 509.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXIX; from [A.]

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901. *Grant by King Eaddred to Wlfheah, of land at Langeforth, or Langford,*[1] *co. Wilts.* A.D. 946 × 955.

In nomine Dei summi et salvatoris Jhesu Christi. Agonista sanctæ prædicationis ortator talem protulit sententiam dicens. "Omnia[2] nuda et aperta coram oculis Dei et a luce prima usque conticinium uniuscujusque actus prospicit".

Ideo ego EADDREDUS rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. dedi cuidam meo hoc vocitato nomine WLFHEAH. unam mansam ATTE LANGEFORTH eatenus ut hoc diebus suis possideat tramitibus vitæ suæ. et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat eternaliter. maneatque prout jam prædixeram donum istud ab omni seculari servitio exinanitum cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus campis. pasturis. paschuis. exceptis istis tribus. expeditione pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem quod non optamus. hanc nostram diffinitionem elationis habitu incedens infringere temptaverit. perpessus sit gelidis glaciarum flatibus et pennino exercitu malignorum spirituum nisi prius irriguis penetentiæ gemitibus et pura emendatione emendaverit.

Bodl. Libr., Wood MS. i, f. 57*b*. | Hardy's MSS. at Record Office.

[1] See *Domesday Book*, vol. i, f. 66*b*.
[2] Hebr. iv, 13.

902. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Ashbury, co. Berks.* A.D. 958 *for* 953 × 955.[1]

ÐIS IS ÞARA . XX . HIDA BOC ÆT ÆSCESBYRIG ÞE EADRED CING GEBOCODE ƿULFRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE.

In nomine Dei et domini nostri Jhesu Christi veri redemptoris mundi. Anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCC LVIII . Indictione . I . Ego EADREDUS omnicreantis disponente clementia Angligenarum rex divino ductus amore ab eodem Deo et domino nostro populis et tribubus preordinatus in regem . Anno imperii mei tertio non inmemor fui quomodo et quam mirabiliter omnia supernus rector firmæ rationis serie gubernat atque custodit . Idcirco cuidam michi fidelissimo ministro vocitato nomine . ƿULFRICO . XX . mansas perpetualiter concedo . illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur . ÆT ÆSCESBYRIG . ut habeat ac possideat quandiu vivat et post se cuicunque voluerit . æternaliter derelinquat . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus . Campis . Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . Sine expeditione et pontis arcisvæ instructione . Si quis autem infringere temptaverit: quod absit . sciat se reum omni hora vitæ suæ et tenebrosum Tartarum[2] non evadere: Nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Ðis synd þa lang[3] ge mæro to æscesbyrig . Ærest on þa ealdan dic ⁊ lang hlincæs on þa foxhola . þanon on hringpyt . of þam pytæ on ƿeardes beorh . þonon on þonæ smalan cumb ⁊ lang cumbæs on ocenne ƿyllas . Andlang streamæs on þa mylne . þonne ƿent hit þær up on þone æþenan byrigels . þonon and lang þæs grænan ƿeges on stan mære þonon to þam bræmbel þyfelan . þanon on ða mæd norðe ƿeardæ on þone þorn þonnæ and lang ƿeges on þonæ ællen stub . þonon utt on bæccan mor . þ imbutæ þonæ mor on bulan madæ norðe ƿeardæ on þa dic . þonnæ utt on þonæ mære . þonon upp on þa and heafda on þonæ þorn . of þæm þornæ þonnæ on þonæ pyt . þonon on æceles beorh ufæ ƿeardnæ of æceles beorge a bæ ecgæ on þonnæ beorg . of þam beorgæ in on þ norþ geatt . þonon on þæt suð geat . þær utt ⁊ lang dic on scortan dic þonon on hean dunæ ufæ ƿeardræ on þonæ beorh of þam beorgæ on þonæ oþernæ þonnæ on tæt tucæn stan of þam stanæ on þa ealdan dic þær hit ær onfenc .

Ego Eadred Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .

Ego Ælfsinus Presul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi .

[1] K. dates this charter A.D. 949. [2] Ovid, *Met.*, i, 113, "tenebrosa in Tartara". [3] Land, K.

Ego Byhrtelm Episcopus . Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Osulf episcopus . Ego Ælfgar minister
Ego Alfpold episcopus . Ego Ælfsige minister
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus . Ego Pulfgar minister .
Ego Eadmund Dux . Ego Ælfpig minister .
Ego Eþelsige Dux . Ego Eadric minister .
Ego Ælfric Dux . Ego Pulfric minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 103. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXXVIII; from [A.]

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903. *Grant by King Eadred to Ælfgiδ, a nun of Wilton Monastery, of land at Pengeard Mynster, or E. and W. Pennard, co. Somerset.* A.D. 955.

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . LV . Ego EADRED divina gratia favente rex et primichærius[1] totius Albionis ÆLFGIDE sancti moniali in Piltunensi monasterio degenti . ob ejus amabile et aurigenum pretiolum hoc est . CXX . solidos auri . ruris particulam in loco qui dicitur PENGEARD MYNSTER cassatis bisdenis estimatam . tenore tantum modo interposito . ut ex 'h'is binarum usus vernantibus . ad ejus oracula monasterii prout antiquitus destinabatur . indiscussus perseveret . ab omni servitio preter arcem . pontem . expeditionem liberam . libenter admodum concessi . Eo tenore hujus munificentiæ donum perstringens . ut post obitum suum inperpetuum jus cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat . quod si quisque quod non optamus hujuscæ donationis cartulam infringere temptaverit . ni prius in hoc seculó digne castigetur in futuro perenni cruciatu prematur;

Et his limitibus hæc telluris particula circum girari videtur;.

Ærest on bulan setl þanon on stod leage of stodlege . on þone meal mihtan ford . of þam forda on þone langan þorn . of þam þorne on peste perde hina dune on þone ellen styb . of þam stybbe on þone rise pyt . of þam pytte on þa haran apuldre . of þære apuldre on spynget . of spyngete on þa caldan dic . of þære dic on þone burnan . of þam burnan on þone hæc . of þam hæcce on cobban slæd . of þam slæde on þa seocan aác . of þære æc on þone burnan . of þam burnan on cullan burh norδe pearde . of cullan býrg on þæt stan gedelf . of þam gedelfe on þone mærδorn . of þam þorne on bican ham . of bican hamme ⁊ lang hrieges on pidan cumb . of pidan cumbe on pyl pýrδe peste pearδe . of δære pýrδe on þæt pyl .

[1] -rius, S.

lam infringere temptaverit nisi prius emendaverit nisi prius in hoc seculo digne castigetur in futuro perhenni cruciatu prematur Et hiis limitibus . hec telluris particula circumgirata videtur .

Erest on bowelescroundel þanen on þe strete endlangstrete on þe berghes þanen on þe þorn . bi stonestrete as þe linche stant of þan þorne on þe stanbrugge þanen on oþer stanbrugge þanne to lake atte þan litel linche þanne endelanglake to dorternebrok' þanne endelang brokes on þe fif acres westward þanen endlang þare acre on þe dich of þer dich est on þan eldene heghewey þanene endlangweyes on þa tenstones bi este þe weye þanen on crowenthornisstibbe þanen on þe wey ende lang weyes to þan redensloheued þanen on heggenberles of þan bugle þanen on þe þorn stubbe þanen on þe brokenestret þanen on þe Northheued þa schirlaundes þane to þa Staureweye at tammereslade eft þer on medebourne þanen on rishlak' þanen on hewinput þanen on þe hane of þer hane vp on þan enlippanberwe on þan weie þanen endlangweies biweste brokenanberwe on þe olde dich þanen endlang dich to vphammere of þer dich on þe heued londe southward þanen on þe stourewe þare eft on bowelescrundel .

Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inferius notata videntur.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi et subscripsi .

✠ Ego Wulstan archiepiscopus consensi et subscripsi cum multis aliis .

[A.] Bodl. Libr., MS. Wood, i, f. 242.

[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. CCCCXXXIV: from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 235.

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905. *Grant for four lives by King Eadred to Ælfsige, Bishop of Winchester, of land at Cleara, or Clere, co. Southampton.* A.D. 955.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . X . HIDA BOC ÆT CLERAN ÞE EADRED CING GÆBOCODÆ ÆLFSIGÆ BISCOPÆ FEOÞER MANNA DÆG . ⁊ ÆFTER HEORA DAGA INTO EALDAN MYNSTRÆ .

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCCLV . Ego EADRED . divina gratia favente rex et primicherius tocius Albionis ruris quandam particulam bis quinis mansiunculis estimatam quam solicole nominant . CLEARAN . ÆLFSIGE episcopo . Wintoniensis æcclesiæ . ob ejus amabile et fidele obsequiolum preter triplum lib'e'rum servitium hoc est arcis . pontis . expeditionisque exercitium . post se trium spacia heredum libentissime concedo . finitisque illorum curriculis prefata terra . ad Petri apostolorum

principis redeat limina ubi presulorum subthronizatur cathedra ni post voluntas fraterna illis plus sit consentanea.

Si quis quod absit tempore episcopi posteriorumve possessorum tyrannica fretus potestate hujúscé donationis cartulam presumptuosus infringere temptaverit. coram Christo angelicoque cœtu Christi cunctorumque Christianorum improperium sustenturus perhenniter videatur. His inquam limitibus hæc telluris particula post episcopum suosque tres heredes fratribus concessa et ad usum vestitus. condonata circumgirari videtur.

Ðis synð þa land gemere. ærest of hilda hlæpe on hunig pege. and lang peges on breges stipe[1] stan. of þan stane on scæp pescan ⁊lang sceappascan on aleburnan. and lang aleburnan on bæueres broces heafde on coferan treope on þa bradan ác. of þære bradan ac on stuteres hylle. niþepearde on stuteres hylle on pearð setl. of peard setle on piþig grafas. of piþig grafan on scip del of scip delle on cyp manna delle. ⁊lang peges eft east on hyldan hlep.

Hujus doni testes extiterunt quorum inferius nomina esse carraxata videntur.

Ego Oda archiepiscopus hoc donum ut ratum maneat signo crucis perstrinxi.

Ego Ƿulf[s]tan archiepiscopus cartulam cauterians signum crucis perfixi.

Ego Ælfsige episcopus consentiens et corroborans triumphale signum depinxi.

Ego Osulf episcopus consentaneus stipulator et agie crucis impressor extiti.

Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus hujus fulcitor largitionis cruciferens in Christo mansi.

Ego Byrhtelm episcopus largiflui signum trophaei equiperans consignavi.

Ego Alfpold episcopus labarum Christi præscribentibus conscribens impressi.

Ego Cynesige episcopus syngrapham hanc gabulo summo cauteriari videbar.

Ego Ƿulfhelm episcopus prefigentibus signaculum crucis consignator fui.

Ego Oscytel episcopus cultui pergamineo consignaculum Christi adhibui.

Ego Aþulf episcopus rutilans crucis signaculum simul prebui.

Ego Eadgifu mater regis. consensi et subscripsi.

[1] Bregeswiðe, K.

Ego Eadgƿig[1] cliton
Ego Eadgar cliton
Ego Æþelstan dux
Ego Æþelmund dux
Ego Eadmund dux
Ego Eþelsige dux
Ego Byrhtferð dux
Ego Eþelgearð minister regis
consensi et subscripsi.

Sed et familiæ tocius in monasterio Sancti Petri unanimis cum concivi societate consensus adherat.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 31*b*. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXX; from [A.]

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906. *Grant by King Eadred to Abbot Æthelwold, of the town of Abingdon, and lands in the neighbourhood.* A.D. 955.

[A]nno[2] dominice incarnationis . DCC . CC . LV . EDREDUS[3] tocius Albionis gubernator et rector animadvertens quodam abbate mihi pervetusta privilegia narrante nomine scilicet ÆÞELƿOLD[4] villam que vulgari onomate ABBENDUN . dicitur cum suis appendiciis rusculis priscis temporibus cenobio quod situm in eadem villula constat fore subjugatam : verum tempore quo archipirate totam hanc insulam devastantes pervagati sunt abavo meo rege videlicet . Aelfredo[5] . ipsam cum omnibus suis abjectivis[6] à predicto cenobio fuisse abstractam victori domino impares pro victoria qua functus est reddens taliones . nunc igitur ob quam rem cum consilio atque consensu meorum presulum obtimatumque quorum nomina caraxantur inferius pro redemtione[7] anime mee et pro expiatione scelerum meorum predecessorum eandem villam prefato arcisterio ad usus predicti abbatis fratrumque inibi Deo servientium voti compos perpetualiter restituo . Terras vero appendicias que per loca diversa ad eandem villam pertinent . id est .

.x. .x. .xxx. .xxx.
Gaincg . Gosige . Ƿeorþe . Cumenoran . cum licentia prenominati abbatis subjectorumque sibi fratrum diebus vite mee ad necessarios perfruar usus . Decurso autem vitæ meæ spacio éédem cum omnibus ipsarum suppellectibus ad prescriptam villam redacte jugiter predicto monasterio subjugentur .

Si quis autem hanc nostre munificentie singrafam quam ego ab omni seculari jugo reddidi liberam tribus exceptis expeditione pontis arcisve construccione demonica instinctus filargiria[8] in-

[1] Eadwig, K.

[2] Rubric in B.:—Carta centum hidarum quas Eadredus rex huic æcclesiæ dedit. scilicet Abbendun . xx . hidas . Gaing . x . hidas . Gosige . x . hidas . Wrthe . xxx . hidas . Cumenora . xxx . hidas .

[3] Ego Eadred, B.

[4] -woldo, B.

[5] Elf., B.

[6] Adj., K.

[7] redempt., B. K.

[8] Phil., B. K.

fringere immutareve aliorsum quam constituimus presumpserit sit alienatus á consortio sancte Dei ecclesie et a participatione corporis ⁊ sanguinis Jhesu Christi eternisque baratri lugubriter deputatus incendiis cum Juda Christi proditore jugiter crucietur nisi prius digna satisfactione emendaverit quod contra nostrum deliquit decretum.

Mcte. xx. hidarum Abbendonie quas Ceadwalla rex West Saxonum Deo et Sancte Marie primitus dedit. et sic divisit,

Ærest on eoccenforda. up ⁊ lang eoccenes to abbes[1] dic. þet to cealdenpulle. ꝥ to mearcforda ⁊ lang broces oð þene grenen peig. ⁊ lang peiges[2] to broce ꝥ to puduforda. ꝥ adune be broce oð pippel[3] riðiges ut scyte ꝥ þurhð dene[4] mor á be riðige. to guman graue[5]: ꝥ to pippel[6] bricge ꝥ on þene[4] sic æt þære[7] fulan æc. ꝥ to hæglea on þæne[8] bradan mere. ꝥ a be pyrt palan to bromcumbes heafod. ꝥ on gerihtum to abbendune to þære[7] port strete. ꝥ and lang stret on hipege ꝥ to ecgunes pyrðe. þenne on bacgan leah ꝥ on scæceling æcer. ꝥ ut on stanford ꝥ to mægþeforda ⁊ lang lace ut on temese ꝥ on forð mid streame pið ufan micclanige on cearepyllan eft pið neoðan berige on temese ꝥ þer up be streame ꝥ on bacgan broc. ꝥ on heaf[o]ces[9] oran. ꝥ on holan dene. ꝥ on tidepaldes pylle[10]. ⁊ lang broces ut on temese ꝥ forð mid streme oð geafling lace ⁊ lang lace. eft ut on temese ꝥ up be streame on occenes grestun[11] dic. þet a be dic on eccen[12] ꝥ þer up eft on eccen[12] forda.

Æðeleaing[13] uude[14] colmanora. ⁊ Geatescumbe[15] hyren into ðys tpentigum hidum. þa ic sylf studum[16] gerad studum[16] ge reop ⁊ rumoðlice gescarode me sylfum ⁊ minum foregengum ⁊ eftyrgengum to ecum rymete. for Gode ⁊ for porulde. Gif hpa þurh deofles lare ge nyrpe. ꝥ ic Gode ⁊ sancta Marian meaglum mode on ece[17] yrfe ge seald hæbbe: drihten his andpeald genyðrige her ⁊ on ecnesse. nymþe he mid fulre dead bote[18] geinnige ꝥ he on urum drihtne gereafoð.

Hec autem sunt hujusce donationis seu libertatis testimonia[19].

✠ Ego Eadred Christi suffragante gratia basileus hoc donum agie crucis taumate confirmavi.

✠ Ego Odo Dorobernice sedis archipresul consolidavi.

✠ Ego Oscytel Eboracensis ecclesie primas consensi.

[1] Abbedes, B. [2] peges, B. [3] Py'p'pel, B. [4] ðene, B.
[5] Grafe, B. [6] Pyppel, B. [7] þere, B. [8] ðene, B. [9] Heafoces, B.
[10] pille, B. [11] Gerstun, B. [12] Eoccen, B. [13] -ahing, B.
[14] pudu, B. [15] -cumb, B. [16] Stundum, K. [17] Ece, B.
[18] Dedb., B. [19] Testium nomina, B.

✠ Ego Ælfsinus Uuintane[1] cathedre pontifex roboravi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus huic regie dapsilitati affui.
✠ Ego Eadgiuu[2] ejusdem regis genitrix hanc donationem adquisivi.
✠ Ego Adeluuold[3] prefati cenobii abbas congaudens dictavi[4].

Ego Ælfere. minister. Ego Ælfgar. minister. Ego Ælfheah. minister. Ego Brihtferth. minister. Ego [O]sulf minister. Ego Ælfuuine. minister. Ego Ealdred. minister. Ego Ælfred. minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 335.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 108. Paragraphs of the boundaries at f. 194.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 124.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXI; from [A. B.]

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907. *Boundaries of the land at Gosige on the R. Eocca, or Goosey, in Stanford-in-the-Vale, on the R. Ock, co. Berks, mentioned in No.* 906.

Et he sunt mete de Gosige. Ærest on þa mærdic. eastepearde. ꝥ innan Tealeburnan. andlang tealeburnan ꝥ innan eoccen. andlang eoccen ꝥ innan þa merdic. of þam mærdic ꝥ innan þa furh. of þa furh ꝥ innan ꝥ riðig. of þam riðig ꝥ innan lanbroc. andlang landbroces ford on butan þone ham. eft on þa mærdic eastepearde.

MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 194b.

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908. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfheh, of land at Cumtune, or Compton-Beauchamp, near Ashbury, co. Berks.* A.D. 955.

CARTA REGIS EADREDI DE CUMTUNE.

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LV. Ego EADRED divina gratia favente rex ⁊ primicerius totius Albionis aliquantulam ruris particulam ÆLFHEHO ministro meo mihi propinquitate conjuncto. Sub estimatione. VIII. cassatorum in loco qui dicitur ÆT CUMTUNE juxta montem qui vocatur Æsces Dune libenter admodum concessi eo tenore hujus munificentie donum perstringens ut post obitum suum in perpetuum jus cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat. Quod si quisque quod non optamus

[1] Went., B. [2] -giva, B. [3] Æthel., B. [4] B. ends here.

hujusce donationis cartulam infringere temptaverit ni prius in hoc seculo digne castigetur in futuro perenni cruciatu prematur. ⁊ his limitibus hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur.

Mete. Ðis sint þæs landes gemære Æt cumtune Ærest of hricg pege on þæt pide geat of þan pidan geate on Æþelmes hlinc[1] on forþerde dune of Æþelmes hlince on icen hilde peg of icenhilde pege on bican dic of bicandice in on spyn broc. of spyn broce on þone bradan þorn be pestan mere of þan þorne on þa readan dic ⁊ lang þære dic on hildes hlæp. of hildes hlæpe on blæc pytt. of blæc pytte ⁊ langes þære pestran risc ræpe innan spynbroc of spynbroce on read. of Ræde on hpittuces[2] hlæpe on icen hilde peg. of icen hilde pege on mæres crundel. of mæres crundelle on dinra beorh. of dinra beorge on hricg peg of hricg pege on fearn hylles slæd. of fearn hylles slade to hæsl hylle suþe peardre. of hæsl hylle pest on þone grenan peg ⁊ lang peges to þære gedrifonan furh andlang fyrh oþ hit cymð on ꝥ pide geat be eastan pelandes smidðan.

Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inperius notata videntur.

Testes. ✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi.
✠ Ego Pulfstan archiepiscopus roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus roboravi.
✠ Ego Alfpold episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Pulfsige episcopus suppressi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus annui.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus constitui.
✠ Ego Cenpold episcopus conspexi.
✠ Ego Cynsige episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Leofpine episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþelsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfnoð minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Byrhferð minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi. f. 40b.
[S.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 186.
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXXXII; from [A.]

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909. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Ælfsige Hunlafing, of land at Æthelwoldingtun, or Alwalton, between Chesterton and Overton, co. Huntingdon, near Peterborough.* A.D. 955.

En onomatos cyriou doxa. Al pisdom ge for Gode ge for perolde is gestaðelad[3] on þæm hefonlican gold horde almæhtiges Godes per

[1] Hinc, S. [2] Hwitluces, S.
[3] Gestalð; with *l* expuncted, MS.

Jhesum Christum cooperante gratia spiritus sancti. He hafað ge peorðad mid Cynedome Angul seaxna EADRED cyning ⁊ casere totius Brittanniæ Deo gratias. for ðem peolegað ⁊ árað ge hadade ⁊ læpede þa ðe mid rihte magon ge ærnian. Þet mæg to soðe seggan ðes þegn ÆLFSIGE HUNLAFING be þere ge agnunga þisses landes fif hida æt ÆÞELÞOLDINGTUNE elces þinges to freon him ⁊ his erfepeardum. buton burh bote bryg ge peorces. ⁊ ferdnoðes. ge þeucend londagende. ciric sceat. saul sceat. ⁊ teogeðunga. Þus tryme̊ð ⁊ sireongað se forespecena kyng mid Cristes rode tacne ⁊ his peotena hond setena his geofa écelice to habbene ⁊ to syllene micclum þingum ⁊ medmiclum to belimpendum. Eadred cyng þy teogeðan gere þes ðe he ge halgad pes gesette þas hand setene. Anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCCLV.

Oda ærcabiscup.	
Þulstan præsul.	Berhtsige biscup.
Ælfsie biscup.	Berhthelm præsul.
Þulsie pontifex.	Ælfuuold antistes.
Oscetel antistes.	Ædgefu euax.
Cynsige biscup.	Eadpi æþeling. ⁊ Eadgar.
Osulf præsul.	Morcant regulus. ⁊ Open.
Koeuuald monachus.	Syferð. ⁊ Jacob.
Þulfelm pontifex.	Eadmuud dux. ⁊ Æþelmund.

Þes[1] landes is into Æþelpoldingtúne. V. hida. ⁊ þis synd þa land ge mæru. On Earninga stræte æt þam stapelan. ⁊ þonne norþ æfter stræte to þere dic. On Ceastertuninga ge mærie ⁊langes þere dic in on þa ea to healfan strame. ⁊ ðonne eft andlanges þere eá to goldege. ⁊ þonne of goldege to ofertuninga ge mære. ⁊ þonne suð be þen Æfden ⁊ lang þere mære to fægran broce. ⁊ þonne up ⁊ lang ðes broces to þere smalan ryðige. ⁊ ðonne suð efter þem riðige to þem mære. ⁊ spa suð rihte to þem litlelape. ⁊ þonne get suð rihte on þa lytlan þyrnan. ⁊ of þere þyrnan pest rihte to þem coppedan þorne eft on earninga stræte.

Eadred cyning biddeð and halsað on þere halgan þrinnesse noman Dei patris et filii et spiritus sancti þet nan man þurh diofles searucræft geðristlice his cynelican gefe on poh geponian. gif hit hpa do gepræcen hit dioflu on helle pitan butan he hit ær gebete for Gode and for peorlde spa him riht pisie. Pax Christi nobiscum Amen.

[A.] MS. Soc. Ant. Lond., ix, f. 81. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxxiii; from [A.]

[1] This paragraph omitted, K.

910. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wihtsige, of land at Corfe, co. Dorset.* A.D. 956 *for* 955.

✠ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. Apostolicis imbuti vesagiis quos quondam olim in tempore mererentur aut trudire munia vocis precelsa conditoris reminiscimur proprii ab ore tonantis. "vos[1] qui secuti estis me. centuplum accepietis et vitam possidebitis". quos etiam caducis opibus implicari tamen superni fulti amminiculo prosequi indigemus ad alta. Cujus scilicet fervoris igne coartus Ego ADREDUS basileos Anglorum hujusque insule barbarorum ministro meo cuidam dilecto nomine WIHTSIGE XVI. mansas gratuito datu perhenniter tribuo quodam in loco priscorum vocabulo AT CORF and AT BLECHENHAMWELLE cum optimatum meorum consilio. ut ille initens secure possideat. In sucensoribus vero suis cui voluerit sibi concedat heredi. Imminencia denique vite curricula hec nostra traditio illesa liberaque permaneat cum appendiciis suis tam pascuis quam pratis. silvis. exceptis tribus expeditione pontis arcisve confectione. Nam si quis seculorum in generatione Belial generatus[2] nostrum hoc volumen immutare temptaverit Jude reus scelere judicii die magna cum turma truces trudatur in flammas nisi hoc in seculo penitentie prius fletu detersus hinc se corrigere studuerit. Istis terminibus predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur.

Þis sand þare XVI. hyde land i mare at Corf þe Adred king bokien Wihsige his þegene on elche halue. Arest of sa on anne dich. an lang dich: uppe on spuren. þpert ouer spuran on þ þpers dich. of þare diche on ecge ford be ecge: on Alfricheswelle. of þane welle: on anne peg. of þane pige: on an dich. anlang dich north richte on picun niþer anland wicum streames. of þanne streame: on anne þorn north anlang dich: on anne walle. on lang walles: on stanwei: of þane dich. on anne dich. on lang diche: north irichte: on picum niþer anlang picunstreames. of þat streame. on anne þorn. of þane þorne: on þa holendich. an lang dich uppen iricht þurch þane wde on þare dich. on þane rupemor. of þane more: on þone crundel of þane crundel up irichte on þat holenbedde. of þat holnebedde: on þare holne stoke. of þane stocke: on þare stream anlang streames: on auenes broc. of þane broke: on þane ealde weg and lang weies: on hecgan sled. of þane slede: on þare streame. an lang streames. on þat stanene bregge. of þare brigge on þare wei anlang weies of irichte on þane richt wei. of þane weie: on anne stan wal. of þane walle nither irichte on Wick-

[1] Matt. xix. 29. [2] Grauatus, K.

enford . on lang Wickenforde ⁝ uppen irichte on beambroc swo ⁝ up anlang streames . of þane streame ⁝ on þat withi begh . of þane wiþibedde ⁝ on anne stan . of þane stane ⁝ on þane oþerne . of þane stane ⁝ on holen wicken . eft on þare stan ⁝ of þane stane . on þa ealdene dich . anlang dich ⁝ on þane wal . an lang welles ⁝ on struthgeardes cum anlang welles on struthherdes pege . of þane wege eft on anne wal on lang welles ⁝ on seuen pilles þry anlang streames ut a irichte on seortmannes pol . ⁝

Acta est haec prefata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi DCCCC . LVI . Indiccione XIII .

Ego Adredus rex Anglorum prefatam donacionem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi . ✠ .

Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem Regis principatum et benivolenciam sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi . ✠ .

Ego Theodred Lundoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi et roboravi et ceteri plurimi . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Harl. 61, f. 12b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclxxv; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 432.

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911. *Grant by King Eadred to Uhtred Child, "pedissequus", of land at Chesterfield, co. Derby.* A.D. 955.

CARTA EADREDI REGIS DE CESTREFELDO FACTA VHTREDO CHILD . DCCCC . LV .

✠ In principio[1] creavit Deus celum celestibus celorum agminibus ethraliter conflagrando . ⁊ terram terrestribus trutinavit tripudialiter tribuendo . Ita dicens . " Celum[2] mihi thronus est . ⁊ tellus scabellum pedibus" . id est cetus angelicus et culmen apostolicum . Jam illuc anhelans EADRED rex AngulSæxna et Norþhimbra Imperator paganorum gubernator . Brettonumque propugnator toto cordis ac mentis conamine Jhesum Christum totius lucri largitorem laudat et glorificat . Ideoque anno dominice Incarnationis nongentesimo ⁊ quinquagesimo quinto . nonus quoque annus adest ex quo regalia erexit regimina . quos vult letificat honorifice euuangelica sequendo paradigmata . " gratis[3] accepistis ⁝ gratis date" . Hoc dumtaxat pedissequs[4] VHTRED CHILD alacriter

[1] This charter appears to be alliterative and poetical. [2] Matt. v, 34, 35.
[3] Matt. x, 8. [4] *Sic*, MS.

in hujus telluris ad CESTERFELDA. perhenni liberalitate subterius terminandum magnis rebus ac modicis preter urbis pontisque constructione. ⁊ expedicionis obsequio cum suis collaudat heredibus. Ecce testes hoc volumen munientes.

✠ Eadred rex tocius Brittannie hec karismata triumphali vexillo sancte crucis consignavit.
✠ Oda archabiscop.
✠ Berhtsige episcopus.
✠ Elfsige pontifex.
✠ Ospulf didasculus.
✠ Ƿulfsige antistes.
✠ Berhtelm presul.
✠ Ælfƿald biscop.
✠ Cynsige episcopus.
✠ Oscetel pontifex.
✠ Icoenƿald monachus.
✠ Ƿulfhelm presul.
✠ Aldred antistes.
✠ Eadgeofu euax.
✠ Eadƿig cliton.
✠ Eadgar Æþeling. ⁊ ceteri duces. principes. milites. ⁊ ministri. XXVI. consensum prebuerunt.

En imperat prefatus rex obsecrando et obsecrat imperando per clavem euuangelicam quam Christus Jhesus Petro principi apostolico potestate tradita ligandi ac solvendi contulerat ut nullus deinceps diabolica fraude deceptus audeat hoc eulogium violare. Ve ve inveniant violantes. Euge euge tu adaugens hic et in evum amen. fas divinum. jus humanum.

Mr. W. R. M. Wynne's Hengwrt MS. at Peniarth 150, p. [illegible].

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912. WILL OF KING EADRED. *Before 23rd November*, A.D. 955.

INCIPIT TESTAMENTUM EDREDI REGIS.

In nomine Domini. Ðis is EADREDES cinges cƿide: þæt is þænne ærest þæt he [an] in to þære stoƿe þær he ƿile þæt his lic reste tƿegra gyldenra roda, and tƿegra gyldenhiltra sƿeorda, and feoƿer hund punda. Þænne an he in to Ƿinteceastre to ealden mynstre þreora þama[1], þæt is þænne, Duntune, and Dromerham[2], and Calne. Þænne an he in to niƿan mynstre þreora hama, þæt is þænne, Hƿerƿyl, and Andeferas, and Clearas; and to nunan mynstre, Scealdeburnan, and þæt ham, and Bradanford. Þænne an he to nunnan mynstre to Ceastre þritiga punda; and þritiga to Ƿiltune; and þritiga to Sceafnesbirig. Þænne an he his saƿla to

[1] *Sic* for hama, E. [2] Here the scribe had first written ⁊ Andeferas, but this name is crossed with a red line, and Dromerham substituted, E.

anliesnesse, and his deodscipe to þearfe, sixtyne hund punda, to þan ðæt hi mege magan hugor[1] and hæþenne here him fram aceapian gif hie beþunfen[2]. Þænne fo se ercebiscop æt Cristescirican to feoper hund pundun, Cantparum, and Suþrigum, and Suthseaxum, and Bearrucscire, to fultune[3]; and gif þan biscop hpæt tide, þænne beo þæt feoh on þan mynstre, on þara pitena gepitnesse ðe on þære scire beon. And fo Ælfsige biscop to þam biscopstole to Ƿinteceastre to feoper hund pundun, tpa hund to Hamtunscire, and to Ƿiltunscire an hund, and oþer to Dorsæton; and gif him hpæt tide, beo hit spa hit hær bufan cpið, on þara pitena gepitenesse ðe on þære scire beon. Þænne fo Dunstan abbod to tpam hund pundun, and healde æt Glæstingabirig, Sumorsæton, and Defenun; and gif him hpæt tide, beo hit spa hit her bufan cpið. Þænne fo Ælfsige biscop to tpam hund pundum, þe þær ofer is, and healde æt þæm biscopstole on Ƿinteceastre spilcre scire spilcre þearf sie. Þænne fo Oscytel biscop to feoper hund pundun, and healde hit ðæm biscopstole æt Dorceastre Myrcumme, spa hit her bufan cpiðe. Þænne hæfþ ꝥ[4] Ƿulfhelm biscop ðæt feoper hund punda. Þanne minre[5] man tpentig hund mancusa goldes and gemynetige[4] to mancusan; and fo se ercebiscop to anum dæle to, oþrum Ælfsige biscop to, þriddan Oscytel biscop, and gedælen geond þa biscopricea, Gode to pillan, and minre saple to anliesnesse. Þænne an ic minre meder þæs landes æt Ambresbirig and æt Ƿaneting, and æt Basingum, and ealra minra boclanda þe ic [on] Suðseseaxum hæbbe, and on Suðrigum, and on Cent, and ealra þæra þe hio ær hæfde. Þænne an ic ðam ercebiscop tpa hund mancusa goldes, beo hund tpelftigum. And ælcan minra leodbiscopa hund tpelftiga mancusa goldes. And ælcan minra ealdormanna hund tpentig mancusa goldes. And ælcan gesettan discðegne, and gesettan hrægiðene, and gesettan biriele, hund eahtatig mancusa goldis. And ælcan minra messepreosta, þe ic gesette hæbbe in to minum reliquium, fiftyg mancusa goldes, and fif pund penenga. And ælcan þæra oþerra preosta fif pund. And ælcan gesettan[6] stigpeard þritig mancusa goldes. And ealcan men preostes[7] þe geþeodad pæs siþþan ic to anpalde feng, and ælcan þæra þa is on minnum hirede si spilcre note[8] spilc he sy, buton he sy lit in bynde to þam cynestolum, þonne pille ic ðæt man nime to ælcan þissa hama tpelf ælmesmen; and gif hpæt hera ænigan getide, sette man þær oþerne to, and stande

[1] *Sic*, MS., for hungor, E. [2] *Sic* for beþurfen, E. [3] *Sic* for fultume, E.
[4] *Sic*, MS., E. [5] *Sic*, MS., for nime, E. [6] MS. repeats settan, E.
[7] *Sic*, MS. Read preosthades (?), E. [8] MS. inserts nyt, E.

þis eal þa hpile þe Cristendom beo, Gode to lofe, and minra saple ælеisnesse, and gif þis hpa done nelle, þonne gange þæt land in þær min lic rest.

Liber de Hyda, ed. Edwards [E.], p. 153.

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913. *Old English form of No.* 912.

TESTAMENTUM EDREDI REGIS.

In nomine Domini. Thys is kyng EDREDYS Testament, that ys to sey, Fyrst he ȝyvyth yn to the place where hym plesyth hys body for to reste, aftyr hys day, to croysys of goold, wyth the ymagys of goold; and to swerdys, the hyltys of goold; and fower hunderyd punde. Also he ȝyvyth in to the Oolde Monastery of Wynchester thre townys, that ys to sey, Dwntune, and Domerham, and Calne. Ferthermore, he grauntyth in to the New Monastery of Wynchester thre twnys, that ys to sey, Wharewel, and Andever, an Clere. And he grauntyth in to Nunne Ministyr of Mynchens at Wynchester, tre[1] twnys, that ys to seye, Selborn, and Hamme, and Bradford. Also he grawntyth to Nunne Ministyr at Chestyr thrytty pund; and to Wyltone thrytty pund, and thirtty pund to Schaftysbury. Ferthermore he grauntyth, for relesyng of the paynys of his sowle, and for his deth rewardynge, to the pwre peple, syxtene hundred punde, on that intent that they may suffyr none hungyr. And he here hym aschwsyth that thys summe of good on that entent he ȝyvyth to the powr pepyll. Also he ȝyvyth to the Erchebyschop of Crystyschyrche, fowr hundred pund, of these fowr schyrys, that ys to sey, of Caunterbyryschyre an hundred pound; of Sutherey an hundryd pund; of Swsex an hundryd pund; of Barochyre an hundryd pund; to rejoyse the tyme of hys lyf; and if hyt so be that the Erchebyschop be ded, than go that fe in to the mynystyr of Crystyschyrche at Caunterbury, and ther to here cōseyl bere wyttenesse, and all that in these fowr schyrys dwellyn. And also he beqweythyth to Elphege[1] byschop, and to the byschopis of Wynchester fowr hundryd pund; to hundryd pund of Hamptonschyre, and an hundryd pund of Wyltschyre, and an hundryd pund of Dorseteschyre. And if hyt so be that the byschop be dede, be hyt, as he seyde here by fore by the Erchebyschop, that the fowr hundryd pund of fee go yn to

[1] *Sic*, MS.

the old monasterie of Wynchester, and ther to be al the thre schyrys wyttenesse, and alle that in hem dwellyn. Also, to Dunston abbot to hundryd pund, and to the monastery of Glastyngbyry; an hunderyd pund of Sumersceteschyre, and an hunderyd pund of Deveneschyre, and aftyr hys day be that fee dysposyd aftyr the forme as he by fore hathe byqweythyd. Also, to Elfsyge byschop, and to the see of Wynchestyr, ofyr the fowr hunderyd pund, he beqwethyth to hundryd pund, to dele among the powr pepyl, in schyre where they be moste nedy. Also, to Osketyl byschop, and to the monkys of Dorkchester fowr hundryd pund, and to the byschopps see aftyr the forme as he byfore hath byqweythyd. Also, to Wlfhelm byschop fowr hundryd pund, and to my chef servant I be qweyth twenty hundryd[1] handfullys of goold, he therof to dele too handfullys of goold to the powre; and to the Erchebyschop other too handfullys of goold, and to Elfsyge byschop other too, and the thrydde to Osketyl byschop, they to dele hyt yn here byschoprychys fo the relessyng of paynys of my sowle. Also y ȝyve to my modyr, the londys at Ambresbyry, and at Wantynghe, and at Basyng, and al my frelond that j on Suthsexe have, and on Sutherey, and yn Kent, and all that I there inne have. Also, I grawnte to the Erchebyschop to hundryd handfullys of goold and twelfthy hundryd pund. And to alle my bede byschopys, and hundryd handfullys of goold; and to al my gentylmen twenty hundryd handfullys of goold, and to all my ȝymen, and to myn horsmen, and to my botelerys, syxthi hundryd handfullys of goold; and to all my masse prestys, that I ordeynyd have for to pray for me, fyfty handfullys of goold, and fyfty hundryd scylyngys; and to alle other prestys fyfty hundryd schylyngys. And to alle my stywardys thyrty handfull of goold, and to all mennys prestys I hyryd, the wyche I wole they praye for me. And to all myn hyrede men I wyl that the good that over thys be quest is that they take hyt to my kynnys folk that yn specyal nothyng y have ȝyve. Also, I wole that my men take twelf almys men to alle thys towne, and dele hem of my good al the whyle they on lyve ben. And thys by qwest I wyle that hyt stonde al the whyle Crystendom duryth for Goddys love and for the spede of my sowle. And aftyr here day that of my be quest levyth go hyt in to the place there me lystyth my body for to reste.

Liber de Hyda, ed. Edwards [E.], p. 158.

[1] *Sic*, MS.

914. *Latin form of No.* 912.

TESTAMENTUM EDREDI REGIS.

In nomine Domini. Istud est Testamentum EDREDI Regis, quod est persolvendum. Imprimis ipse legat loco in quo sibi placet, post obitum suum, requiescere, duas cruces aureas, cum imaginibus aureis; et duos enses, quorum capituli sunt aurei; et quadringentas libras. Etiam legat Veteri Monasterio Wyntoniæ tres villas, quæ sunt, Duntone, Domerham, et Calne. Præterea ipse annuit Novo Monasterio Wintoniæ tres villas, quæ sunt, Wharewell, Andever, et Clere. Insuper annuit Monasterio Monialium Wyntoniæ tres villas, quæ sunt, Selborne, Hamme, et Bradford. Etiam legat Monasterio Monialium apud Cestriam, trigintas libras; et Monasterio Monialium Wyltoniæ trigintas libras; et Monasterio Monialium Septoniæ trigintas libras. Præterea ipse concedit, pro remedio pœnarum suarum, propriæque animæ salute, ac ejusdem post mortem misericordissima Dei remuneratione, pauperibus et egenti populo mille et sexcentas libras, ea intentione ut a siti reserventur et fame. Et coram omnibus astantibus et absentibus, cum ad audientiam eorum pervenerit, semetipsum excusat, quod prædicta intentione prædictam summam pecuniæ, videlicet, egenis legavit et pauperibus. Ulterius legat Archiepiscopo ecclesiæ Sancti Salvatoris quadringentas libras, de istis quatuor comitatibus, videlicet, de comitatu Cantuariensi, centum libras; de comitatu Sutheriensi, centum libras; de comitatu Suthsexiæ, centum libras; de comitatu Barokensi, centum libras; in bonis cum gaudio ad possidendum toto vitæ suæ tempore. Et si contingat Archiepiscopum viam universæ carnis fore ingressum, ex tunc transeat illa pensio in jus Monasterii Sancti Salvatoris Cantuariæ. Et ad istius donationis confirmationem totum consilium ipsius ecclesiæ voco in testimonium, cum omnibus in prædictis quatuor comitatibus feliciter degentibus. Et etiam legat Elphego, episcopo Wyntoniæ, et episcopali sedi apud Wyntoniam, quadringentas libras, hoc modo percipiendas, videlicet, quod recipiat ducentas libras de comitatu Suthamptunensi; et centum libras de comitatu Wyltunensi; et centum libras de comitatu Dorsetensi. Et si contingat Episcopum fore naturæ functum imminere, permaneat ipsa pensio sub forma per prius recitata de Archiepiscopo, videlicet, quod illæ quadringentæ libræ meæ donationis remaneant Veteri Monasterio Wyntoniæ. Ad cujus concessionis fulcimentum, sint omnes fideles in prædictis

tribus comitatibus inhabitantes, in testimonium et testes. Etiam Dunstano, abbati Glastoniæ et Monasterio Glastoniensi, ducentas lego libras, de his comitatibus percipiendas, videlicet centum libras de comitatu Sumersetensi, et centum libras de comitatu Devoniensi. Post obitum vero Dunstani, disposita sit ipsa pensio secundum formam hactenus a nobis legatam, scilicet, quod permaneat Monasterio Glastoniensi. Etiam Elphego[1] episcopo, et sedi Wintoniensi præter priores quadringentas libras, lego ducentas libras, distribuendas inter pauperes et inopes, in quocumque comitatu numerosius abundaverint. Insuper Osketillo, episcopo Dorkcestrensi, et monachis ejusdem ecclesiæ, quadringentas dono libras, et episcopali sedi, modo quo superius legavimus. Etiam Wlfhelmo episcopo do quadringentas libras. Et meo præcipuo servienti lego centum viginti[1] mancusas auri, ut ipse de illa summa distribuat duas[1] mancusas auri populo pauperi et egeno. Insuper prædicto Archiepiscopo alias duas mancusas auri lego, et Elphego[1] episcopo alias duas, et tres mancusas Osketillo episcopo, ut illi distribuant prænominatam summam in ipsorum episcopatibus, pro remedio animæ meæ, et a pœnis relaxatione. Ulterius dono matri meæ terras illas apud Ambresbyriam, et apud Wantyngh, et apud Basyng, et omnes liberas terras quas in comitatibus Suthsexiæ, Suthreiæ, et Cantiæ, habeo. Præterea concedo archiepiscopo prædicto ducentas mancusas auri, et mille ducentas libras; et omnibus episcopis meis oratoribus specialibus, centum mancusas auri; et omnibus meis armigeris duo mille mancusas auri; et omnibus valectis meis, et meorum equorum custodibus, meis pincernis et vini propinatoribus, concedo octo mille mancusas auri. Et omnibus missarum pro [me] celebrantibus, quos disposui ac ordinavi, ad deprecandum pro [me], quinquaginta mancusas auri, [et] quinquies millenos solidos; et cæteris[1] omnibus sacerdotibus, quinquies millenos solidos. Et omnibus meis supervisoribus, ac senescallis, triginta mancusas auri; et omnibus aliorum hominum sacerdotibus conductitiis, quos voluntas mea est ut pro me ad Dominum deprecentur, triginta mancusas auri, et omnibus meis conductitiis præcipio quod bona quæ legationem meam hanc excedunt, tradantur ac distribuantur meis consanguineis quibus nihil in speciali legavi. Insuper volo quod mihi servientes duodecim eligant homines pauperes istius civitatis, et distribuant eis de meis bonis quamdiu vixerint. Et istud testamentum volo quod permaneat immutabiliter quamdiu Christianitas perduraverit, intuitu divini amoris, et pro expeditione animæ meæ. Et post ipsorum deces-

[1] *Sic*, MS.

sum, quod meæ legationis superfuerit transeat in locum in quo mihi est placitum corpus meum, relicta anima, diem expectare ultimæ resurrectionis. Amen.

Liber de Hyde, ed. Edwards [E.], p. 158.

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915. *Letter of Pope John XII to King Eadred, granting privileges to St. Augustine's Abbey, Canterbury.* 22nd *April*, A.D. 956[1] (?).

PRIVILEGIUM JOHANNIS[2].

JOHANNES episcopus servus servorum Dei EADREDO[3] Regi excellentissimo. atque omnibus episcopis. ducibus. comitibus. abbatibus. et cuncto fideli populo Anglicæ gentis carissimam[4] salutem et apostolicam benedictionem.

Studio divini cultus permovemur pro venerabilium locorum semper percogitare stabilitate. quatinus proveniente pio labore: animæ Christo dicatæ quæ se illic diebus vitæ eorum servire decreverint sub regulari institutione. perseverent imperturbate. Necnon illa maneant fidetenus inconvulsa quæ ob religionis cultum in Dei laude constructa sunt.

Quapropter mando tibi rex inclite ac fili karissime. et ceteris omnibus predictæ gentis filiis nostris spiritualibus ut monasterium penes vos in honore beatorum apostolorum principis Petri et doctoris gentium Pauli constructum sub cura vestra habere dignemini. ne alicujus magnæ parvæque personæ perturbentur inquietudine. sed abbas et monachi inibi[5] Deo servientes vestro juti communi subsidio et quæque[6] juri eorum pertinere videntur libere possidentes. efficacius in sancta conversatione suam[7] queant ducere vitam. Cum vero abbatem ipsum obisse contigerit. non aliunde quam ex eadam congregatione quem ipsi communi consilio elegerint constituatur. in loco eodem consecretur. et ovili dominico præficiatur. Nullus ibi presulum aliquam sibi auctoritatem usurpet. sed nec ibi nisi ab abbate invitatus illorum missam celebrare presumat. per omnia sicut sancti prædecessores nostri viri apostolici Deoque digni. in suis privilegiis eidem contulerunt æcclesiæ.

[1] This date is only conjectural. Eadred died on 23rd November 955; but his death may not have been known at once in Rome. Pope John was elected c. Nov. 955 (Jaffé); but the regnal year of the Emperor Otho and the indiction expressed in the concluding clause cannot be reconciled with the year 956. [2] Papæ Ædredo regi 7 optimatibus & added, B. [3] Ædr., B. [4] Kar., B. [5] Ibi, B. [6] q, B. [7] Sua, with a later line over the a, MS.

Quibus ne quisquam temerario ausu refragari audeat . nostræ etiam parvitatis scripta ex auctoritate apostolica superaddere curavimus . Constat igitur præfatum monasterium primum esse omnium ab initio vestræ nascentis æcclesiæ sanctorum monachorum religione decoratum . quod Athelbertus[1] rex Christianissimus a beato Augustino[2] beatæ memoriæ Gregorii discipulo . ad Christi fidem perductus hortatu ejusdem patris et apostoli vestri Augustini a fundamentis construxit . ibique Petrum monachum ab hac apostolica sede directum monachis Deum timentibus abbatem præposuit . ubi etiam ex præcepto ejusdem Gregorii prædictus pater Augustinus ipsi regi sibique et successoribus suis regibus atque archiepiscopis ubi corporales eorum exuviæ diem resurrectionis expectarent locum elegit .

Si quis vero hoc sanctæ religionis propositum contaminare vel delere conaverit . sciat se auctoritate apostolica anathematis vinculo innodatum . et cum Juda traditore domini æterni incendii supplicio concremandum . Unde canonicis de monasterio sancti Salvatoris illi loco invidentibus præcipimus omnimodis ne sanctæ hujus devotionis cultum inquietare præsumant . Quod si fecerint ! eodem anathemate puniantur . In Christo cum omnibus tuis domine fili valeas .

Datum . X . kl Mai[3] . imperante domino piissimo . Augusto 'Ottone'[4]. anno . II . regni ejus . indictione XI .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Vespasian B. xx, f. 282 (xiith cent.)
[B.] MS. Cotton, Julius D. ii, f. 415.

Wilkins, i. 223.
Mansi, xviii, 435.
Jaffé, *Regesta Pontif.*, p. 916.

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916. *Letter of Pope John XII to King Eadred and Archbishop Odo, granting privileges to St. Augustine's Abbey, Canterbury.*[5]

JOHANNES[6] episcopus servus servorum Dei . EADREDO[7] Regi Anglorum excellentissimo . dilectissimoque filio[8] nostro ODONI Dorovernensis æcclesiæ archipresuli . cum omnibus episcopis ducibus . comitibus . abbatibus . et cuncto fideli populo Anglicæ gentis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem .

Inter præclaras sacræ fidei vestræ virtutes . quibus et vos præcellentissime fili . et subjectos vobis reges cum optimatibus vestris et populis Christianæ religioni subjecistis . hanc caritatis vestræ

[1] Athelbertus, B. [2] Agus., B. [3] Maij, B. [4] Octone, B.
[5] For probable date, *cf.* No. 915. [6] Rubric in B.:—Item privilegium ejusdem Johannis Edredo regi. [7] Ædr., B. [8] Erasure here in MS.

flagrantiam familiarius amplectimur . quod primitivum regni vestri monasterium in suburbio Doroberniæ situm . in honore principum apostolorum Petri et Pauli consecratum . a primo doctore et apostolo Anglorum Augustino et a primo regum Anglorum christiano Deoque amabili rege Athelberto[1] fundatum . ubi scilicet in perpetuum apostolica auctoritate sepeliantur corpora regum et archiepiscoporum Cantuariæ . vestra regalis eminentia postulat etiam per nos antiqua sua dignitate confirmari ac[2] libertate . sicut videlicet antecessores vestri reges et prædecessores nostri pontifices descriptis apostolicis privilegiis sanxere . Ergo et nos gratifice annuentes statuimus . quatinus ipsa apostolica æcclesia . sicut in gratia principum apostolorum censetur apud vos primogenita . sit ceterorum monasteriorum vestri regni quæ post surrexere . vel deinceps in omnem posteritatem nascentur mater primaria . Sit inquam regia et apostolica confirmatione regalis et apostolica . sit ab omni seculari servitute libera . ita ut nullus episcoporum . nullus successorum vestrorum regum in aliquo eam lædere[3] aut inquietare præsumat . nec aliqua unquam servitutis occasio de rebus ad ipsam æcclesiam pertinentibus vel in magno vel in minimo ab ullo exigatur . quatinus sub rege suo defensore non tyranno . libere Christo soli deserviat .

Dilecto etiam filio nostro et consacerdoti Dorovernensis æcclesiæ ODONI vice beati apostolorum principis Petri in omnibus mandamus . ut non typo prælationis sed officio caritatis ubi poscitur se impendat . abbatemque ipsius ac si Romanum legatum et comministrum evangelii pacis habeat . et fraternum sibi socium estimet non subjectum . per omnia sicut sancti et Deo dilecti filii sedis apostolicæ archipresul Theodorus et abbas Adrianus se habuere . Nullum vero potentatum in hanc æcclesiam præripiat . nec præter ordinationem abbatis quodlibet officium sine ipsius favore et fratrum arroget . sed neque ab ipsis intimis et peculiaribus locis . aut parrochiis . vel in omni privilegio ipsius juris quicquam præter ejusdem abbatis assensum accipiat vel faciat . ne qua scilicet abusione . pacem perturbet gregis dominici . quales scandalizare est cum mola asinaria in profundum dimergi . Abbas quoque ejus reliquis prior habeatur . ita dumtaxat . ut ad sacræ fidei caritatis et concordiæ compaginem loco primogeniti et vice Romana . affectuose magis quam imperiose præluceat confratribus . Hæc igitur et cætera quæcunque sunt tam a vobis quam ab antecessoribus vestris aut a vobis aut a successoribus vestris . vel a quibuslibet personis usque in finem jure[4] tradentur . juxta vestram postulationem ita

[1] Ethelberto, B. [2] Hac, B. [3] Erasure here in MS. [4] Vite, B.

observanda ab omnibus regibus et principibus ac plebibus Brittanniae[1] contestamur . ne quis praevaricator quod absit . excommunicatorio sancti Petri principis apostolorum gladio excisus intereat . sed magis favens aeclesiae ipsius clave admissus regno[2] gaudeat .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Vespasian B. xx, f. 283.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Julius D. ii, f. 42.
Wilkins, i. 224.
Mansi, xviii, 456.
Jaffé, *Regesta Pontif.*, p. 916.

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917. *Grant by King Eadwig to Wilton Abbey, of land at Ceole, or Broad-Chalk and Bower-Chalk, on the R. Ebele, co. Wilts.* A.D. 955.

ÞIS HIS ÞARE HUND TEONTIGA HIDA LAND BOC . ÆT CHEOLCUM . ÞE EADUUIG CING . GEBOKEDE ÞY FORMAN GEARE HIS RICHES FOR HINE AND FOR HIS YLDRUM . GODE ÆLMIHTIGUM . AND SANCTA MARIAN . AND ÞARA ARÞYEDAN GESOMNUNGE ING TO DAM MYNSTRE AT WILTUNE ON ECHE YRFE . AMEN .

✠ In nomine Dei et Domini nostri Jhesu Christi . anno dominice . Incarnationis . D . C . C . C . C . L . V . ego EADWIC . Divino fulciente numine nunc nuperrime rex regimina tentans . Audivi a sapientibus . et prudentibus . hanc mellitam dulcedinem sermocinationis seriem . quod bona voluntas in die examinationis pro bono opere reputabitur . Idcirco venerande sanctimonialium congregationi . in monasterio quod dicitur . WILTUN : terram que dicitur ÆT CEOLCUM . centenis estimatam mansiunculis . In jus perpetuum . ab omni seculari servitio liberam . preter arcem pontum . expeditionem libenter admodum concedo . Et interposito tenore . quin nostrorum nemo successorum . nec cum antiqua carta . nec cum alicujus ingenii sagacitate quamdiu christianitas vigeat . Hoc nostrum decretum audeat violare . Et quisquis benivola mente meam donationem amplificare satagerit . in hoc presenti seculo vitam illius prospera feliciter longiturne vite gaudia teneat . Si quis autem propria temeritate violenter invadere presumpserit . Sciat se procul dubio ante tribunal districti judicis titubantem tremebundumque rationem redditurum . Nisi prius digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . Et hiis limitibus hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur .

Ærest on astepearde be eastan stoke þare hine lande up of ebbeles burnan and lang anre ealdre dic pið aelfeages land

[1] Britan., B. [2] Rego, B.

gemaero . þanne aet þare diche ende hit byhð east aenne acker innan Ælfheages l nd . þanne at þas akeres up ende hit fehð on ða land gepyrpu up oð land scare hline . fram ðam hlinche up andlang ðara land gepyrpa oð pudulurh hylle . þanne byhð hit þær pest on þare cnihtaland anne aker . ðonne ðanan eft andlang ðara land gepyrpa . þat ðpyres ofer middel dune oð þat hit cymð to ðam haþenum byrgelsum . ðonne forð ofer ða ðry crundelas oð þat hit cymð to þan þorne . ⁊ þar to pege . and spa forð andlang peges oð þat hit cymð to þan hokedan garan . ðonne bebyhð hit ðone garan utan oð þat hit cymð to land schare pege . þonne forð andlang peges oð þat hit cymð to chetoles beorge . of ðam beorge þat hit sticað on cheotoles heafde . þanne to michelan byrg . þonne to trogan . þonan to hlos hrycge . ⁊ spa to beornhames pege . of þan pege to bican setle . þonne andlang peges to tilluces leage . and þanne pest to lafres mere . þonan to pulf pyttan . ðonne to meare treope . ⁊ spa to bitan dene . ðonne ⁊lang bitan dene to cortes hamme . þonne forð oð ðat hit cymð þar mon þane chiorl sloh for þan buccan . þonne þonan to erse grafan . forð þonne to med akeran . þonne ⁊lang peges úp ongene garan . ⁊ spa ⁊lang hryeges þat hit cymð to beaces hlape . ðonne eft ⁊lang peges to scyldes treope . adune þonne ⁊lang landschare dene . þonne at þare dene ende to þan here paþe at heafod stoccan .

Þonne liegað binnan þissum gemarum syx hida landes hyrað to dun heafdan : þa gamæro synt þus genamode . Ærest of þare stræte æt þare ende hit gæþ up on ane furh oð þat hit cymð to þæs hlinches orde to þan ellen styblse þannen to pinterburge geate . þonan to esnadiche geate . þonne to þan stane þe ligð on þære stræte ⁊ spa on þane cistel . þonne to ealcan seaðe . of ðam seaðe up on mapuldor cumb . þonne ⁊lang cumbes to þæs cumbes heafde . þonne to ippan beorge . þonan to ðorn pylle . ⁊ spa to þan pere . þonne on ðone here pað . pest . þonne ⁊lang here paðes to þam heafod stoccum þær pe ær forleten .

Ðas ge mæro . ⁊ ðas syx hida pe letað hut of ðisse boce . Nu fehð hit eft on ða land gemæro æt þan heafodstoccan þpyres ofer þone herepað to norð dune ende . þonan to brydinga dic . þonne east ⁊lang hryeges oð ða furh .

Ðonne liegað her syx hide ðe hyrað to rimuc pude ðpyres ofer eall ðæt land þe hyrð to cheolcun .

Ða gemæro synt þus hatene . Niðer ⁊lang þære fyrh ꝥ hit cymð to hyrel . þonne þpyres ofer hyrel on ða furh ofer clænan dune . þonne þurh pudu to trogan . bibygð þonne þone pudu þe hyrð to rimuc puda þat hit cymð up on hriegpege . þonne eft on

clænan dune. nimð þonne on oðre healfe anes hiƿisces þæt hit cymð to hyrel to þam clife. ⁊ sƿa ⁊lang clifes to ás dene. þonne gæþ hit norð ofer hyrel to þam pytte seis æt landgemære.

Ðis land ƿe lætað eac hut of þisse boc.

Ðonne of ðan pytte east ⁊lang hryeges to stoc hæmalande. sƿa þanne forð þæt hit cymð eft innan ebbeles burnan. þonne ⁊lang streames to þan þær ƿe ær onfengon.

Þis synt ða land gemæro on semeleage. Ærest on nodre forde æt genon gemyþan up be nodre to chealfa leage. þonne ðperes ofer ða leage ƿest. and suþ ⁊lang beore oran. þonne ofer lind oran. þonan to reoches oran. ⁊ sƿa on ða stigele. þanna to radeleage. þonan to bilanleage. ⁊ sƿa on se med oð hit cymð eft to nodre forde.

Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

Ego Eadgar frater ejusdem regis cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi.

Ego Odo Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum. Et benivolentiam signo sancte crucis perstrinxi.

Ego Ƿulfstan archiepiscopus. predictum donum consensi.

Ego Ælfsie Wintoniensis ecclesie episcopus. corroboravi.

Ego Cenƿald episcopus confirmavi.

Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi.

Ego Ælfƿold episcopus roboravi.

Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consensi.

Ego Ƿulfsie episcopus. subarravi.

Ego Ƿulfhelm episcopus. signum crucis inpressi.

Ego Oskitel episcopus. conclusi.

Ego Kynesie episcopus. consensi.

Ego Aðulf episcopus. consignavi.

Ego Daniel episcopus. benedixi.

Ego Dunstanus abbas testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi et confirmavi.

Ego Byrhtelm diaconus hoc predictum donum laudavi.

✠ Ego Æþelferð diaconus libenter consensi.

Ego Ælfgyð magistra prefati monasterii cum gaudio magno recepi.

Æþelstan dux.

Aþelmund dux. Æþelstan. rota dux.

Edmund dux. Byrhtferð dux.

Leofpine propinquus regis . minister .
Ælfhere . ex parentela regis . minister .
Ælfheah frater ejus . minister .
Ælfsie minister .

Æþelmær . minister .	Ælfheah . minister .
Ælfric . minister .	Æþelgeard . minister .
Ælfgar . minister .	Æþelbriht . minister .
Byrhtferð . minister .	Osulf . minister .
Ospeard . minister .	Ospig . minister .
Ælfsie dyring . minister .	Irdpold . minister .
Cynesie[1] . minister .	Wulfgar . minister .
Aynsie[2] . minister .	Ælfric . ministei .
Ælfred . minister .	Ælfpold . minister .

Đonne beode pe Godes bebode ⁊ þas cinges ⁊ þæs ercebiscopes ⁊ ealra þare biscopa þe heora noman heron apritene syndon ⁊ ðis eall geðafedan ⁊ ðas boc in to ðare stope ge bletsodan þat ne sy nan man þe ðyses landes æniges dæles brake butan he hit . of gange æt ðam hipum þe æt ðam mynstre Gode ðeniað mid rihtum landrihte ⁊ leodrihte spa hit on lande stonde . ⁊ se þe ðis don nelle oððe ongean þissum gange þonne brake he his ofer Godes sit ⁊ ofer ealra his haligra ⁊ ealles þæs hiredes þe on þan mynstre sy . butan he to þære bote gechyrre .

[A.] Harl. MS. 436, ff. 81b, 83. | [K.] Kemble *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccxxxvi : from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 433.

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918. *Profession of Eadulf, Bishop of Elmham, to Odo, Archbishop of Canterbury. Before* A.D. 956.

PROFESSIO EADULFI HELMEANENSIS EPISCOPI.

In nomine altithroni conditoris æterni ego EADULFUS electus Helmeamnensis æcclesiæ humilis Christi famulus suppliciter confiteor quia cum omnipotentis Dei auxilio cujus consilium stat et omnis voluntas fiet . quod libenter quamdiu erit halitus in me et spiritus in naribus meis . sanctæ æcclesiæ salvatoris mundi tibique ODO archiepiscope tuisque successoribus quem superna gratia prævidet et nobis prædestinat in patrem: devota et fideli mente semper deservire et obædire desidero . et illam sanctam et apostolicam fidem quem patres nostri digne servaverunt cum omni humilitate et obœdientia divina simul et humana sicut prædeces-

[1] Lynsie, MS. [2] *Sic*, MS.

sores mei ipsi sanctæ sedi æcclesiæ Christi subjuncti sunt semper servare me velle humiliter per omnia fateor. Et quod illi hic et ibi juste plebi Dei prædicaverunt, et custodiendo impleverunt: hoc prædicare et observare non cesso, favente et volente pio domino salvatore nostro Jesu Christo. et obtemperantiæ semitam ad metropolitanam Dorobernensis æcclesiæ sedem vita comite usque ad finem vitæ meæ cum auxilio Dei custodiam conservans. tibique "reverentissimo presuli Odoni" triumphali[1] tropheo crucis" sponsionum mearum manu propria perpetualiter finxeria[2] feci.

[A.] MS. Cotton. Cleopatra F. i, f. 25.

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919. *Grant by King Eadwig to Abingdon Abbey, of wood for building the abbey, at Heafochrycg, or Hawkridge, in Bucklebury, between Newbury and Pangbourn, co. Berks. 13th February,* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE HAFOCHRYCG[3].

Nichil in hoc seculo prolixa felicitate fruitur nichil diuturna dominatione potitur. nichil quod non ad fatalem vite terminum veloci cursu tendatur. Ideoque ut ortodoxorum[4] demonstrant paradigmata sic nobis mundanarum rerum patrimonie sunt perfruende ut tamen eterne patrie emolumentis numquam fraudemur.

Quamobrem ego EADUUIG[5] annuente altitroni[6] moderatoris imperio. tocius Albionis triviatim potitus regimine. non immemor ob hoc mihi recidiva fore concessa ut his strenue eterna dapsilis[7] lucrarer quoddam nemus cum suis campis paulo scilicet plus[8] sexaginta jugeribus ad architectandum sanctam Dei genitricis[9] ecclesiam que sita est in ABBANDUNE. ADELPUOLDO[10] abbati devotissimo. necnon monachorum collegio sub ejus disciplina Benedicti abbatis egregii regulam servantium prona admodum devotione in eternam largitus sum hereditatem. Cui videlicet nemori ipsius diocesis solicole notum imposuerunt vocabulum. HEAFOC HRYCG quod[11] his undique notis circumgiratur limitibus.

Mete. Ærest[12] on panganburnan þ on þa dic þ ab[13] be dic on

[1] The (") are marks of transposition; the sentence is probably to stand thus: tibique triumphali tr. cr. rev. pre. Od. spon., etc. [2] *Sic.* MS.
[3] Carta de nemore heafochrig, rubric in B. [4] Orthod., B. [5] Eadwi, B.
[6] Altithroni, B.; alit., S. [7] -litate, S. [8] Paulo plus scilicet, B.
[9] Gene., S. [10] Æthelwoldo, B. [11] Quod...limitibus, omitted, B.
[12] Nemus Heafochrig his limitibus circumgiratur, rubric in B. [13] A, B. S.

þane hagan þ non[1] cristel[2] mælbeam þæt ꝥlang hagan on þa þornihtan leage þ forð on brygford[3] þ a be hagan on stan pege of stan pege ab[4] peortpalan on þa flex[5] aecyras[6] þ a be peortpalan on masan mere of þam mere on cuðulfes cotstope of þam cotstopum on þanganburnan þ up mid streame eft on þa dic.

Testes.[7] Hujus nostre munificentie doni testes extiterunt quorum nomina inferius ordinatim secundum cujusque dignitatem carraxantur.

✠ Ego Eadpig[8] Rex Anglorum 'indeclinabiliter consensi[9].
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi[10].
✠ Ego[11] Ælfsige presul sigillum agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego[11] Coenpuald[12] episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego[11] Oscytel episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego[11] Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego[11] Brihtelm episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego[11] Alfuuold episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego[11] Adulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Daniel presul corroboravi[13].
✠ Ego Æþelpold abbas adquievi[14].

✠ Ego Æþelstan	dux.	✠ Ego Ælfric.	minister.
✠ Ego Eadmund	dux.	✠ Ego Ælfsige.	minister.
✠ Ego Æþelstan	dux.	✠ Ego Ælfgar.	minister.
✠ Ego Ælfhere	dux.	✠ Ego Byrhtferð	minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtfert[15]	dux.	✠ Ego Alfpold	minister.
✠ Ego Ædelsige	dux.	✠ Ego Ælfric	minister.
✠ Ego Æþelmund	dux.	✠ Ego Æþelpold	minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige	dux.	✠ Ego Pulfgar	minister.
✠ Ego Pulfric	minister.	✠ Ego Cynesige	minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard	minister.	✠ Ego Leofpine	minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah	minister.	✠ Ego Eadric	minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred	minister.	✠ Ego Æþelferð	minister.

Sit[16] autem predictum nemus quod ego cum consensu optimatum meorum prefato perpetualiter largitus sum ablati ad architectandum ecclesiam ab omni terrene servitutis jugo liberum tribus his

[1] þ on, B. [2] -ten, B. [3] Brycgf, B. [4] A be, B. S. [5] Fleax, B. [6] -ea, B. [7] This paragraph omitted, B. [8] Eadwi, B. [9] Confirmavi, B. [10] Archiep., etc., B. [11] This line omitted, B. [12] -old, S. [13] Daniel episcopus, etc., B. [14] Ego Athelwold abbas. Et multi alii subscripserunt, B., and ends here. [15] Byrhf., S. [16] This paragraph follows—vocabulum Heafochrycg. in B.

exceptis rata videlicet expeditione pontis arcisve restauratione. Si quis autem larvarico instinctus spiritu hoc donum violare inmutareve presumptuosus temptaverit nisi digna satisfactione ante obitum suum Reus penituerit. eternis baratri[1] prostratus incendiis cum Juda Christi proditore eternaliter lugubris puniatur. Scripta est hec munificentie singrafa anno dominice incarnationis DCCCC. LVI. indictione. XIIII^a. Idus Februarij[2].

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 46.
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 111*b*; boundaries, f. 197.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCVIII; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 183.

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920. *Confirmation by King Edwith to Glastonbury Abbey, of a vineyard at Pathenesbergh, in Mere, co. Somerset.*[3] A.D. 956.

MERE.

Adjuva nos Jhesu Christe celi terreque moderator. Cum seculi varietas crebra vacillacione defectum sui cunctis sapientibus liquido patefaciat. frequentativis orthodoxorum ammonicionibus hortamur. ut ea que eternaliter stabilia indefectaque perseverant celesti amminiculante basileo alacres incessabili adquiramus lucello.

Quam obrem ego EDWITH[4] annuente altritoni. moderatoris imperio tocius Albionis triumphatim potitus gubernamine. Rex ac gubernator non inmemor ob hoc michi recidiva fore concessa ut hiis strenue jugi conamine turpitudines eterna lucrarer quandam vinee particulam cum herentibus sibi duobus[5] mansiunculis in loco qui a gnoscitis hujusce patrie AT PATHENEBERGH'E. noscibili nuncupatur vocabulo sancte Dei genitricis ecclesieque GLASTINGENSI olim data videtur monasterio cum omnibus huic rusculo rite pertinentibus. Pratis pascuis silvis capturis eterna largitus sum[6] hereditate. obsecrans ut nullus superveniat hominum superbie inflatus rancore qui haunc nostram largitluam donacionem inmutare minuere presumpcionis audeat.

Si quis autem minuere vel auferre quod domino largiti sumus obstinatus voluerit. deleatur nomen ejus de libro vite. reusque anathema post obitum eternis baratri deputatus incendiis cum

[1] -thri, B. [2] Here follow the witnesses in B.
[3] Mere, at the point of union of cos. Somerset, Dorset, and Wilts, is now in co. Wilts, but at the time of the Domesday was in co. Somerset; *cf.* *Domesday Book*, fol. 90A, col. 1. The vineyard is noticed in the *Domesday Book*. [4] Eadwig, K.
[5] Duobis, MS. [6] The word resembles *sine*, MS.

Juda Cristi proditore miserimus lugubriter puniatur . nisi cum digna satisfactione devotus emendaverit quod contra domini voluntatem violentus perpetravit .

Hiis autem limitibus prefatum rus cum colle humifero undique circumgirari videtur . Herist of tunsing' þere on þe rihte on midemede of midemede vp on þe rihte on oslakesleage weste pard þanon on þe rihte on coudenesham þanon ut on miduemer en lang moris . eft on ea .

Acta est autem hec nostre dapsilitatis munificencia[1] anno incarnacionis domini . DCCCC . LVI . indictione vero quarta decima . Hiis testibus consencientibus quorum inferius ordinatim nomina recitantur .

✠ Ego Edwhi rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sancte crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Edgar frater ejusdem regis confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Elfsie episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Brithelm episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Daniel Wintoniensis episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oswolf episcopus favi .
✠ Ego Wolsie episcopus dictavi .
✠ Ego Athelstan dux consensi .
✠ Ego Athelwold dux consensi .
✠ Ego Edmund dux consensi .

Sit autem predictum Rus quod ego cum consensu optimatum meorum domino ejusque genitrici patrona amodum devocione largitluus concessi omni terrene servitutis jugo liberum nec pontis arcisve restauracione sive quempiam expedicione ullo modo alligatur sed tranquillum perseverans domini solummodo serviatur .

[A.] Bodl. Libr., Wood MS. i f. 148. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxxxviii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. vi, p. 236.

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921. *Grant by King Eadwi to Malmesbury Abbey, of land in Brokenebregge, or Brokenborough, co. Wilts.* A.D. 956.

DE CENTUM MANSIS IN BROKENEBERGA . QUAS REX EADWY DEDIT SANCTO MELDUNENSI CENOBI .

Altus positor omnium ex nichilo rerum ante omne tempus angelos condidit ⁊ informem materiam quam Adam prothoplastus[2]

[1] Muniniticentia, MS. [2] -plaustus, C.

in Eden primo formatus apparuit . Set culpa inibi nacta[1] extimplo pulsus in hac erumpnosa terra mortem minatam tulit . Que adhuc in suis posteris cum labore ⁊ dolore usque ad calcem vite proth[2] dolor inevitabilis heret . Et quod pejus eadem quoque[3] quasi per debitum ad operandum[4] extunc naturaliter nequam omnes jure constrinxerunt[5] . At ubi venit plenitudo temporis cum nec levita nec sacerdos subvenire sufficerent : Samaritanus tandem semivivi idest generis humani sua gratia dignatus est misereri . Nam Leviatan[6] saltem adhuc Jordanen expectans omnes tunc ore aperto vorabat . Hoc igitur soli sapiencie dediti ⁊ maxime religiosissimi viri summopere intelligentes amena Paradisi perdita gemunt . suspiria trahunt . ululant . plangunt . turpe miserumque vivere suum . Ad[7] "quemadmodum[8] cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum : ita" ambiunt corpore solvi . sua largiri festinant invisibilia immo certa comperando . at contra stolidi . stulti aliena ambiunt in inveniendo mille artes exercent . [illegible]ciuntur . perjurant . rapiunt . furantur .

Quapropter ego EADWI largiflua summi tonantis rex Anglorum ⁊ tocius Britannie provinciarum providencia templa divina redintegrare dispono . monasterio siquidem MALDUBESBURG[9] . nomine in honore Aldelmi[10] Paternique aliorum[que] sanctorum quorum reliquie ibidem venerantur centum mansas in BROKENE BEREGGE[11] in hereditatem concedo perhennem . Primo videlicet anno regni mei . D . CCCC . vero LVI . ab incarnatione dominica . Indictione . XIIII . optimatibus nostris adstipulantibus .

Ego Eadwi nutu Dei omnipotentis rex tocius Britannie hoc donum affirmo cum titulo sancte crucis .
Ego Oda archiepiscopus corroborando confirmo .
Ego Eadgar indoles annuo .
Ego Alfrige episcopus adquiesco .
Ego Osulf episcopus orno .
Ego Wlfrige[12] episcopus adquiesco .
Ego Kinwold episcopus noto .
Ego Oscutel episcopus testor .
Ego Kinsige episcopus faveo .
Ego Alwlf[13] episcopus consentio .
Ego Daniel episcopus sub[sc]ribo .
Aethelstan dux . Eadmund dux .
Aeþelsige dux . Aethelstan dux .

[1] *Sic*, MS.; nata, B. [2] Proh. B. [3] Culpa, a[illegible]. B. C. [4] -dum, B. [5] -xit. B. C. [6] -than, B. [7] At. B. C. [8] Psalm. xli. 1. [9] -birig, B.; -byrig, C. [10] Aldh., B. [11] Brokeneberegga, B. [12] -rigg. B. [13] Ælwolf, B.

Aelfhelm minister[1] . Aeþelgerd minister[1] .
Aelfrige minister[1] . Aelfgiue minister[1] .

[Q]uisquis[2] amodo hoc nostrum decretum conservare immo augere sponte desideraverit : multiplicentur dies illius . Et post obitum transire mereatur ad regna polorum . Sin autem quod absit ⁊ Deum ⁊ semetipsum obliviscendo aliquis mutare voluerit : dies ejus non dimidiaverit : ⁊ gloriam Dei cum choris angelorum nequaquam videat in terra vivencium . Set suum auctorem diabolum sequatur in infernum "ibi est fletus et stridor dencium".

[A.] MS. Lansd. 417, f. 18b. Boundaries at f. 21b.
[B.] *Reg. Malm.*, ed. Brewer. vol. i, p. 311.
[C.] Add. MS. 15,667, f. 12.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLX; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 446.

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922. *Boundaries of the land mentioned in No. 921.*

HII[3] SUNT TERMINI TERRE DE BROKENEBERGE .

In primis ab orientali parte ⁊ australi ubi amnis qui Corsbrok[4] vocatur cadit in[5] ripariam de auene inter somerford ⁊ enne pol ab eodem termino per eundem directe amnem de corsbrok[4]. usque ad metam fossati que dich appellatur . Ab eodem fossato citra Sterkele[6] . usque Beneumbe . Ab eo usque Smalebrok[4]. ab eo directe per echelmeres[7] imere usque Cleygate . ab eo directe per stratam publicam usque Kingwei[8] ⁊ ab eo directe usque hegforlong a parte orientali . ab eo usque ad metam super Doddingesdoune[9]. ab eo usque[10] Corsbrok[4]. Ab eodem amne directe . usque haywardes hamme[11]. ab eo usque ad viam . ⁊ per eandem directe[12] viam usque kingweie . ⁊ per eandem viam usque ad metam que Dich hoc est fossatum appellatur . ab eo usque Candelmere . ab eo usque Wolfingeslewe[13] . Ab eo directe : usque ad pirum . ab eo ultra pleieswrthe[14] usque tothulle[15] a parte occidentali usque cliue . ⁊ ab eo continue[16] usque ad amnem . ⁊ per eundem amnem usque stretforde ultra Tothele[17]. ab eo directe per stratam publicam que ab antiquis stret . nunc fos nuncupatur usque ad alteram stret-

[1] Miles, C. [2] This paragraph omitted, C.
[3] Title in B. C.:—Hii subsequentes termini sunt de manerio de Brokene berewe . quod rex Eadwi contulit ecclesiæ Malmesburiæ pro centum hydis sicut inferius ab Anglico in Latinum per metas Anglice subscriptas translatum est . [4] -brock, B.
[5] Inter, B. [6] Sterckle, B. [7] Etherelmeres, B. C. [8] -weie, B. C.
[9] -doue, B. C. [10] Ad, added, B. [11] -hame, B. [12] Directe, omitted, B.
[13] Wolving., B. C. [14] Pleiswithe, B. [15] Tolh., B. [16] Continuo, B.
[17] Totele, B. C.

forde sub Bubbethorne ad aquam que Ingelbourne[1] appellatur. ⁊ per eandem aquam directe usque ad Ciddemore[2]. ab eo usque ad merewelle[3]. ab eo a parte orientali ⁊ australi usque ad blakethorne. ab eo per capita jugerum directe usque Wolgeres imere[4]. ⁊ ab eo a parte australi per metas usque wiucrondel[5]. ab eo usque Elfheyesputte. ab eo usque lutleborne. ab eo a parte australi per stratam publicam de fosse[6] usque ad metas que sunt de terra dominica per capita jugerum usque Estmondestone. ab eo directe a parte boriali[7] de saltherpe. usque la slade. ab eo usque la pulle a parte boriali[7] usque ad Ellerne. ab eo usque Helgerstone. ⁊ per eundem fossatum processu continuo. usque Cheggehemwllesbroke[8]. ⁊ per eundem rivulum usque la dene. ab eo usque ad stratam publicam. ⁊ per eandem processu continuo usque kemeleshage[9]. ⁊ ab eo usque la smaleweie. ⁊ per eandem viam usque Cruddesetene imere directe per viam majorem que extenditur usque ad fossatum a parte australi de chelewrthe. Ab eo per eundem fossatum usque wodeforde[10] processu continuo usque ad medium prati de medlege. ab eo usque in stanlege. ab eo: usque in Etingeheles ex parte australi: ab eo processu continuo usque Deigetezheie. ab eo usque Colesleie[11] processu continuo usque trindlege. ⁊ ab eo directe per sepem usque Bradelege[11]. ⁊ a bradelegesheie: in grauerugge[12] a parte australi. ⁊ ab eo processu continuo per vallem usque Wikkedich. ⁊ ab eo per sulcus[13] aratri in altum sulcantis[13] usque Smeleweye[14]. ⁊ per eandem viam usque Prinawaldesputte. ⁊ ab eo usque ad Crudehamwlleslake. ⁊ per eundem rivum: usque ad medium de pohamlege. ⁊ ab eo usque hanslege. ab eo usque de[15] la dich. ⁊ per eundum fossatum continue usque Witherescubbe[16]. ab eo usque bradenebroke[17]. ⁊ per eundem amnem usque etherelflede[18] imere progressu continuo usque Witegete. ab eo usque Boreglege[19]. ab eo usque stretpen. ab eo usque ad metam que appellatur[20] appelthorn[21] nuncupatur. ⁊ ab eodem ligno pomifero per stratam publicam usque Wonbourne[22]. ⁊ per eandem aquam progressu continuo usque Geresbourne ⁊ per eundem amnem directo progressu usque ordwoldeswode quod modo Bradene appellatur. ⁊ per idem nemus ad tria circiter miliaria usque ad metam que holehoke appellatur. ⁊ ab eo per metas usque lindebourne. ⁊ ab eo usque ad Bethamhamme[23] ad usque

[1] Yngleburne, B. [2] Cyd., B. [3] Merewlle, B.; merewulle, C.
[4] Ymere, B. [5] Wiuec., B. C. [6] Fos, B. [7] Bore., B. [8] Cheggeh., B.
[9] Kemelezage, B. C. [10] Woderorde, B. C. [11] -leye, B. [12] -rugte, B. C
[13] Ful., A. [14] -weie, B. C. [15] De, omitted, B. C. [16] -stubbe, B.
[17] -cke, B. [18] Etheresf., B. [19] Borelege, B. [20] App., omitted, B. C.
[21] -ne, B. [22] -borne, B. [23] Beckhamhamme, B.

Idoure. ⁊ per eandem continue aquam. usque limesule[1]. ⁊ ita per stratam usque coveresgiet. ab eo usque sondheie. Ab eo usque ad metam de la scete quousque veniat usque dich. ⁊ sic per eundem fossatum usque in alveum aque de avene.

Infra memoratos terrarum terminos est terra que data fuit ad monachos Malmesburienses vestiendos. XXXII. hidas[2] continens que ante tempus regis Edwii eisdem ad vestituram collata fuerat.

Et hii sunt termini. X. hidarum pertinencium ad Manerium de Brokeneberge[3] que sunt de centum hidis[4] nominatis. hoc est de Suttone. In primis ubi meta que Raheie vocatur. extenditur usque Cutelwlle. ⁊ ab eo usque merebrok. ⁊ per eundem rivum usque in Avene. Ab eo directe[5] per Alveum aque processu continuo usque ad segmede[6] a parte orientali usque Brodewulle.

[A.] MS. Lansd. 417, f. 185. Boundaries at f. 215.
[B.] *Reg. Malm.*, ed. Brewer, vol. i, p. 311.
[C.] Add. MS. 15,667 ff. 125 335

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cc.clx; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 446.
J. Y. Akerman, in *Archæologia*, vol. xxxvii, p. 10. Boundaries only from [K.]

923. *Grant by King Adred to Brithric the thegn, of land at Hengstesreg, or Henstridge, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956.

ADREDUS REX RURIS PARTICULAM SUB ESTIMACIONE. V. CARACTORUM IN LOCO QUI HENGSTESREG DICITUR SUB MUNIFICENTIE DONO IMPERPETUUM CONSIGNAVIT.

Anno ab incarnacione domini D. CCCC. LVI. Ego ADRED divina gratia favente Rex et primicherius tocius albionis BRITHRICO ministro meo ob ejus amabile et fidele obsequiolum ruris particulam sub estimacione V. caractorum ab omni seculari servicio divino jure in suo statu perdurante preter arcem: pontum[7]. expedicionem liberam libenter ad modum concessi in loco qui dicitur HENGSTESRIG eo tenore hujus munificencie donum perstringens ut post obitum suum imperpetuum jus cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat quod si quisque quod non optam[us] hujusmodi donacionis cartam infringere temptaverit nisi prius in hoc seculo digne castigetur in futuro perhenni cruciatu prematur. Et his limitibus hec telluris particula circumgirari videtur.

Arest of horspoles heauede anlang dich on ludenham. of ludenhame alang streames on eldenham. þannen forð to þere calden

[1] Limeshule. B. [2] Hyd., B. [3] -burgge. B.; Brokineberg. C.
[4] Supra, added, B. C. [5] -to, B. [6] -med, B. C.
[7] Pontem, K.

hege þannen forder be hegen one stoc wey . of stok wei anlang heegham to filed hamme . of filed hamme ut þurth þere groue on irichte to þere eald dich . of þere eald idich : on irichte[1] to here paδ . of here paþe anlang richtes to lortenpille on δa elden dich of þere ealden dic : on ducenhulle . of duccenhulle : on cawel andlang dich : on wincawel . þannen : anlang streames : on hors poles heaued .

Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inferius notata videntur :

Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi et subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Wlstan archiepiscopus consensi et subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Alsige episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Wlfsige episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Brichtem episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Cinsige episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Leofwine episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Osulf episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Alwold episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Kenward episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Wlfhelm episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Adwi[2] eliton[3] . consensi ⁊ subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Adgar[4] eliton[3] . ✠ .
Ego Athelstan dux . ✠ .
Ego Athelstan dux . ✠ .
Ego Admund dux . ✠ .
Ego Birhtferd dux . ✠ .
Ego Aþelsige dux . ✠ .
Ego Alfsige minister . ✠ .
Ego Alfech minister . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Harl. 61. f. 6*b*.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclv ; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 485.

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924. *Grant by King Eadwig to Abingdon [illegible] Abbey, of land at Abingdon.* A.D. 956.

DIS[5] IS ÐÆRA XX . HYDA BÓC ÆT ABBANDUNE ÐE EADWIG CYNING GEBECTE ON ECE YRFE IN TO SANCTA MARIAN CYRICEAN .

✠ Anno dominicae Incarnationis DCCCCLVI[6] . Indictione XIIII ego EADUUIG divina allubescente gratia Rex et primicherius[7] Albionis . mox ut me dominus celestis in regimen [illegible] subtronizavit[8] terrestre ruris particulam quandam[9] vicenis ab accolis mansiun-

[1] Oni richte, MS. [2] Eaawig, K. [3] Diton, A.; eliton, K. [4] Eadgar, K.
[5] Carta regis Edwi de Ablend', A.; Carta regis Edwi de Abbendona, B.
[6] -LV, B. C. [7] -cerius, B. C. [8] Subthro-, C. [9] Qu. pa., B. C.

culis estimatam domino[1] Jhesv Christo ejusque genetrici beatæ Mariæ semper virgini simulque beato Benedicto preclarissimo monachorum patrono ejusque servulo abbati Aðeluualdo[2] ad monasterium quod est in ABBANDUNE[3] prona admodum devotione concedo. præcipiens in nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi ut nostrorum nemo successorum quamdiu christianitas vigeat. hoc nostrum decretum violare audeat. Quod si quisque quod non optamus cupidinis livore perculsus hujusce privileium[4] donationis infringere temptaverit se in perpetuo sacrilegii reum noscat, ni[5] prius in hoc seculo hoc enorme[6] scelus digna poenitudine[7] deterserit. Et[8] his limitibus[9] hæc telluris particula circumgirari videtur.

Arest[10] on temese be suðan fordwere ðære[11] up on ða díc on coccenes[12] gærstun suð weardne[13] þonne ondlang[14] díc to eoccen ondlang[15] eoccenes to abbodes díc ondlang[15] díc to cealdan wylle[16] of cealdan wylle on ðæt riscslæd middeweard[17]. oð torht woldes mor þæt þær on þa díc ondlang[14] díc to mearcforda þonne up[18] ondlang[14] broces oð hýt cymþ to emnes þam ealdan læg hrýcge. þonne ongerýhte betweoh. potteles[19] treow[20] on þone ellen stýb ðæt þær on wuduford[21] on sunninga wylles[22] broc ondlang[14] broces to dunnanforda ðæt þær on ðæt wiðig bed þonne on ðone[23] healfan[24] æcer norðe weardne[17] þonne andlang fýrh. to ðon heafdon[25] þæt þær suð ofer ðone healfan[26] æcer þæt þær east on þa furh. ðæt to ðam sceortan lond[27] þær on ðone hæþenan[28] byrgels þonne þær on ða seofan[29] æceras westwearde[30] þæt ðær norð to lippan díc ondlang[31] díc ðurh sucgan[32] graf ðæt[33] on ðone ellen stýb ðonne on ða[34] brembel ðýrnan on ða díc ond lang[15] díc to horopytte, ðonne ðurh madoces leah. on ða[34] caldan díc ðonne on ða æcer díc ðonne on hæsel díc of hæsel díc on ðonne gemær weg on bagan[35] wýrðe onlang[15] weges to hig wege ondlang[14] hiweges[36] to ecgunes wýrðe[37] þonne on bacgan leah þæt ále wyrtwalan[38] þæt on bacgan broc of

[1] Nostro, added, B. [2] Æþel., B. C. [3] -na, C. [4] Privilegium. B. C. [5] Nisi, B. [6] Inorme, B. C. [7] Pen., B. C. [8] This sentence omitted, C. [9] -tis, B. [10] Rubric in C.:—Hii sunt limites terminorum. xx. hidarum Abbendoniæ secundum cartam Eadwi regis. S. reads, secundæ cartæ in this rubric, for the contraction sc'd' cart'. [11] þær, B.; ðær, C. [12] Occ., C. [13] Suðeƿearde, B. [14] Onl., B.; ⁊lang, C. [15] ⁊lang. C. [16] ƿulle, B. [17] -de, B. [18] Op, B. [19] Port., C. [20] Treƿ, B. [21] ƿudef., C. [22] -læs, B. [23] þonne. B. [24] Heaf., C. [25] -þam heafdam. C. [26] Heafon, C. [27] Lande, B. [28] Heaþ., B. [29] -fon. B.; -fen, C. [30] ƿestep., B. C. [31] ⁊lang, B. C. [32] Sugg., C. [33] þæt, C. [34] þæ, B. [35] Beg., C. [36] Higƿ., B. [37] -ðe, C. [38] ƿirt., C.

bacgan broce on hafoces[1] oran ond lang[2] ðæs[3] gemær hagan þæt út on rige wyrðe[4] weste weardne on ða ealdan díc þonne ondlang[2] díc to perhangran ðonne on[5] wulfrices[6] broc þonne on gerihte ofer hýrdyige to ðam greatan welige þæt ðær ut on temese ðonne ondlang[7] temese ðæt est[8] on occenes gærstundíc suðeweardne[9].

Ðís[10] syndon ðæs londes gemæro to abbandune ðe Eadwig cýning syleð Gode to lofe in te ðam mýnster ond him sylfum to ecer[11]. are.

Hujus doni testes extiterunt quorum inferius nomina adnotata[12] videntur.

✠ Ego[13] Eadwig totius Albionis rex et primicherius[14] hoc donum agiæ crucis taumate tripudians corroboravi.

✠ Ego Eadgar clito ejusdem regis adelphus devotus assensi.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus hoc donum signaculo sanctæ crucis perstrinxi.

✠ Ego Wulfstan archiepiscopus hoc idem signaculo crucis comfirmavi.

✠ Ego Ælfsige Uuintoniensis ecclesiæ presul cum cæteris coepiscopis hoc donum sanctæ crucis signaculo pari voto unanimes constrinximus.

✠ Ego Alfwold episcopus subscripsi.

✠ Ego Býrihtelm episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Osulf episcopus signaculum crucis impressi.

✠ Ego Wulfsige[15] episcopus.

✠ Ego[16] Cýnýsige presul hoc privilegium crucis indiculo roboravi.

✠ Ego Coenuuold antistes conscripsi.

✠ Ego Aðulf episcopus confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oscýtel[17] præsul consignavi.

✠ Ego Dunstan abbas apicibus firmavi.

✠ Ego Æðelstan dux cum cæteris suffraganeis hoc donum inviolabiliter corroboravi.

✠ Ego Æðelsige dux.

[1] Hafeces, C. [2] ⁊lang, C. [3] ðea, C. [4] -ðæ, C. [5] On on, C. [6] Wlf., C. [7] Onl., B.; ⁊lang. C. [8] Eft. B. C. [9] Mete, rubric added here, B. [10] This sentence omitted, C. [11] Ecere, B. [12] Anno., C. [13] The witnesses are thus declared in C.:—Ego Eadwi rex. ✠. Ego Eadgar frater ejusdem regis. ✠. Ego Odo archiepiscopus. et Ego Wlfstanus archiepiscopus. et Ego [Æ]lfsius Wintoniensis episcopus. et Ego Alfwold episcopus. et Ego Osulfus episcopus: cum multis coepiscopis. et Ego Dunstanus abbas subscripsimus et corroboravimus. [14] -cerius, B. [15] -sie, B. [16] Cynsige, B. [17] Oscutel, B.

✠ Ego Ælfere dux . ✠ Ego Byrhferð minister .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux . ✠ Ego Æðelgard[1] minister .
✠ Ego Æþelstan comes . ✠ Ego Wulfric minister .
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister . ✠ Ælfsige minister .

Sit[2] autem prædictum rus quod ego cum consensu optimatum eorum[3] sanctæ ecclesiæ æternaliter restitui olim ab ea injustè abstractum ab omni terrenæ servitutis jugo liberum Excepta omnibus indicta necessitate, rata videlicet expeditione pontis arcisve restauratione .

CARTA REGIS EDWIG DE ABBENDONIA .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab., cxi, ff. 147, 148, 153. 154.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii. p. 437.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi. f. 44b.
[C.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 110b. Boundaries at f. 19b.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 178.

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925. *Grant by King Eadwig to Uulfric the thegn, of land at Ceorlatun, or Charlton, in Wantage,[4] co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWII .

Anno dominice incarnacionis . DCCCC . LVI . indictione . XIIII[5] . Ego EADPIG Anglice gentis inclitus rex uni meo ministro cui nomen insitum est . UULFRIC . V . mansas perpetualiter trado illo in loco ubi ruricole appellativo usu ludibundisque[6] nomen indiderunt ÆT CEORLATUN . Dum vero vitale spiramen suum foverit corpus animo jocundo nostra dapsili deditione perfruatur decurso scilicet sue curriculo vite[7] heredi cui voluerit impendat imperpetuum carisma . prefatum rus omni servitio careat preter expeditionem pontis ⁊ arcis munimen .

Si quis vere tirannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti cirographum sciat se coram Christo ⁊ angelis ejus in tremendo examine rationem redditurum nisi hic prius emendare satagerit . Nam prefatum rus nullis certis terminis dirimitur sed jugera adjacent jugeribus .

Testes . ✠ Ego Eaduuig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater concessi .
✠ Ego Oda [a]rchiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi .

[1] -geard, B. [2] Ait, B. [3] *Sic*, A. B.; meorum, C.
[4] Note in S. [5] xiiii, S. K. [6] [vocabulis] added, K. [7] MS. repeats vite.

✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum sancte crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Cenuuald episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Aelfpol'd' episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Uulfsie[1]. episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego[2] Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux.
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Aþeluuold dux.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Uulfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtferð minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred minister.
✠ Ego Uulfgar minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfuuine minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi. f. 58b.
[B.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 237.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCVII; from [A.]

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926. *Grant by King Eadwig to Prince Wulfric, of land at Melebroc, or Millbrook, co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

℗ Anno heroicæ[3] incarnationis DCCCCLVI. Indictione. XIIII. EADWIG numine cælesti gentis Geuuisorum orientaliumque nec non occidentalium simul etiam aquilonalium Saxonum archons cuidam meorum principum quem nonnulli vocitant noto vocamine. ƿULFRIC. VII. cassatos perpetualiter trado. illic ubi vulgariter dicitur. ÆT MELEBROCE. quandiu híc corpus animatum habere videbitur nostri doni privilegium sibi vendicet et postero denique suo quemcumque elegerit pereniter impertiat cum campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Hæc tellus a cuncto sit immunis servitu nisi pontis. et arcis. ac expeditionis juvamine. Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit. sciat sé rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus. nisi prius híc digna satisfactione emendare satagerit.

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus. þis synt þa land gemæro to meleiroce. ærest of hreodbrycge ꝥlang st'r'æte on fearninga

[1] -sige, K.
[2] This line omitted, K.
[3] Herdicæ, F.

broce ⁊lang mearce on melebroces ford east ⁊lang mearce on þunres lea norþepeardne þonon ⁊lang peges on cinges díc þonon ⁊lang mearce on holan peg of þam pege on þa ea oþ midne stream ⁊lang streames on hreodbrycge . ⁊ se haga an ham tune þe þærto gebýret .

✠ Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis ✠ roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agiæ crucis ✠ impressi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Pulfsige episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Byrhthelm episcopus conclusi .
✠ Æþelstan dux .

✠ Eadmund dux .	✠ Æþelgeard minister .
✠ Byrhtferþ dux .	✠ Ælfheah minister .
✠ Ælfhere dux .	✠ Ælfgar minister .
✠ Ælfsige minister .	✠ Byrhtferþ minister .
✠ Pulfric minister .	✠ Ælfred minister .

Endorsed in a contemporary hand:—" ✠ þis is þara . VII . hida bóc æt Melebroce þe Eadpig cing gebocode Pulfrice his þegne on ece yrfe ."; *and in one of late xvth century,* " VII hyda in Mylbrooke . saxon ."

[A.] Brit. Mus., Cotton charter viii, 12. (Original.)
[F.] Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii, pl. 21.
[K.] Kemble. *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccl ; from [A.]
[B.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 61b.

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927. *Grant by King Ædwic or Eadwi, to Wulfgar, Abbot of Bath, of land at Dyddenham, i.e., Tidenham, or Tiddenham,*[1] *co. Gloucester, near Chepstow, between the Rivers Severn and Wye.* A.D. 956.

DE DYDDENHAM .

Anno[2] vero dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCCLVI . indictione . XV . Ego ÆDPIE[3] omnicreantis disponente clementia Angligenarum omniumque gentium undique secus habitantium Rex . divino ductus amore . ab eodem Deo et Domino nostro populis . et tribubus præordinatus in regem . Anno imperii mei primo . non

[1] Duddenham, co. Somerset, K., vi, 281.
[2] An illuminated portrait of the king is painted in the initial A of this word, MS.
[3] Eadwig, K.

immemor fui quomodo et quam mirabiliter omnia supernus rector formæ rationis serie gubernat atque custodit. Iccirco ad monasterium sancti Petri quod situm est in BATHONIA ubi termæ amenæ calidis é fontibus dirivantur[1]. xxx. mansas in hereditatem[2] tribuo perhennem[3]. ex quibus meo videlicet sacerdote ƿULFGARO. qui præest supradicto monasterio pro ejus fideli obsequio et devotione. tres tantum cassatos. perpetim impertio. illo in loco qui a rurigenis prænominatur ÆT DYDDANHAME. Quatinus ejusdem monasterii choors[4] indesinenter cum jocunditate quamdiu christianitas in hac Albionis insula viguerit meam regalem donationem feliciter possideat. cum omnibus quæ ad eundem locum jure pertinére dinoscuntur. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis. Pascuis. Pratis. Silvis. Capturis piscium. Sit autem prædictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo. exceptis istis tribus. Expeditione. pontis. arcísve constructione.

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc cartam cupiditatis livore depressi violari[5] satagerint : agminibus tetræ caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitri sibi dicentis. "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem æternum". ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pœna si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint pœnitentia.

Divisiones. Istis terminis predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur. þis synd þà land ge mæra to dyddan hamme. Of ƿægemuþan to ipes heafdan. of ipes heafdan on stan ræpe. of stan ræpe on hpitan heal. of hpitan heale on ipdene. of ipdene. on bradan mor. of bradan more on tpyfyrd. of tpyfyrde on æst ege pul ut innan sæfern.

Ego Ædpig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi : ✠ :
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi : ✠ :
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ Crucis impressi : ✠ :
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi : ✠ :
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus confirmavi : ✠ :
Ego Cenpald episcopus adquievi : ✠ :
Ego Oscytel episcopus non renui : ✠ :
Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi : ✠ :
Ego Bryhtelm episcopus corroboravi : ✠ :
Ego ƿulfsige episcopus consensi : ✠ :
Ego Ælfpold episcopus conclusi : ✠ :
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi : ✠ :

[1] De., K. [2] -te, K. [3] -ne, K. [4] Cohors, K. [5] Moliri, K.

Æðelstan dux : ✠ :
Ædmund dux : ✠ :
Ælfhere dux : ✠ :
Æþelsige dux : ✠ :
Æþelƿold dux : ✠ :
Byrhtnoð dux : ✠ :
Ælfheah minister .
Ælfsige minister .
Ælfgar minister .
Byrhtferð minister .
Ælfred minister .
Æþelgeard minister .
Ælfƿine minister .
Ælfric minister .
Ælfsige minister .
Ædric minister .
Byrnric minister .
Ƿulfgar minister .
Ƿulfric minister .
Ælfƿig minister .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab., cxi, f. 72.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclii ; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 664.

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928. *Survey and Customs of Tidenham.*

DIVISIONES ET CONSUETUDINES IN DYDDANHAM .

On dyddan hamme synd . XXX . hida . IX . inlandes ⁊ . XXI hida ge settes landes . To stræt synd . XII . hida . XXVII . gyrda gafollandes . ⁊ on sæuerne . XXX . cytƿeras . To middel tune . V . hida . XIIII . gyrda gafollandes . XIIII . cytƿeras on sæuerne . ⁊ . II . hæcƿeras on ƿæge . To cinges tune . V . hida sind . XIII . gyrda gafollandes . ⁊ . I . hida bufan dic ꝥ is nu eac gafolland . ⁊ ꝥ utan hamme is gyt sum inland . Sum hit is þam scip ƿealan to gafole ge sett . To cynges tune on sæuerne . XXI . cytƿera . ⁊ on ƿæge . XII . To bispes tune synd . III . hida . ⁊ . XV . cytƿeras . on ƿæge . On land capet synd . III . hida . ⁊ . II . hæcƿeras on ƿæge . ⁊ . IX cytƿeras . Ofer eall ꝥ land ge byrað at gyrde . XII . peneg̃ . ⁊ . IIII . ælmespeneg̃ . Æt ælcum ƿere þe binnan þam . XXX . hidan is . ge byreð æfre se oðer fisc þam land hlaforde ⁊ ælc seldsynde fisc þe ƿeorðlic byð . styria . ⁊ mere sƿyn . healic oðer sæfisc . ⁊ nah man nænne fisc ƿið feo to syllanne þone hlaford on land byð ær man hine him gecyðe .

Of dyddan hamme ge byreð micel ƿeorcrædenu .

Se geneat sceal ƿyrcan sƿa on lande . sƿa of lande . sƿa hƿæðer sƿa him man byt . ⁊ ridan . ⁊ auerian . ⁊ lade lædan . drafe drifan . ⁊ fela oðra ðinga don .

Se gebur[1] sceal his riht don . he sceal erian healfne æcer . to ƿice ƿorce . ⁊ ræcan sylf ꝥ sæd on hlafordes berne ge hulne to cyrcsceatte sa hƿæþere of his agenum berne to ƿer bolde . XL . mæra

[1] *For the gebur, see* MS. Cotton. Titus A. viii, *quoted in* Ellis, *Introd. to Domesday Book*, ii, 425 ; Birch, *Domesday Book*, p. 150.

oððe an foþer gyrda . oððe . VIII . geocu byld . III . ebban tyne . æcertyninge . XV . gyrda . oððe diche . V tyne . ⁊ dicie . I . gyrde burh heges . ripe oðer healfne æcer . mape healfne . on oþran peorcan pyrce . á be peorces mæþe . Sylle . VI . penneg̃ ofer estre . healfne sester hunies to hlaf mæssan . VI . systres mealtes . to martines mæsse an clipen godes nett gernes . On ðam sylfum lande stent se ðe . VII . spyn hæbbe ꝥ he sylle . III . ⁊ spa forð a ꝥ teoþe . ⁊ ðæs naþulæs mæsten rædene þonne mæsten beo .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab., cxi, f. 73. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, vol. iii, p. 450.

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929. *Lease for life by the Convent of Bath to Archbishop Stigand, of the land at Tidenham.* (A.D. 1052 × 1070.)

CONVENTIO INTER STIGANDUM ARCHIEPISCOPUM ET CONVENTUM BATHÆ.

Her sputelað on þisum geprite ꝥ ÆLFPIG abbud and eall seo geferræden on Baðan hæfð gelæten to STIGANDE archeb̄ . XXX . hyda landes æt dyddan hamme his dæg . pið . X . marcan goldes . and pið . XX . pundon seolfres . ⁊ æfter his dæge ga hyt eft in to þam halegan mynstre . mid mete . ⁊ mid mannum spa full ⁊ spa forð spa hyt þænne byþ . ⁊ . I . marc goldes to eacan . ⁊ . VI . merspun . ⁊ . XXX . þusenda hæringys . ælce eare .

Þis ys to ge pittnysse . Eadpeard cininge . ⁊ Eadgyð seo hlæfdige . ⁊ Ealduyd archeb̄ . ⁊ Hereman . b̄ . ⁊ Gisa . b̄ . Harold eorl . ⁊ Tosstig eorl . ⁊ Æþelnoð abb̄ . ⁊ Ægylpig abb̄ . ⁊ Ægylsige abb̄ . ⁊ Ordric abb̄ . Esegar steallere . ⁊ Roulf steallere . ⁊ Bondig steallere . ⁊ manega oþre gode menn þe heora naman her apritene ne syndon . ⁊ gyf ænig mann si spa dyrstig ꝥ pylle þis apendan si he amansumod fram Criste . ⁊ fram sancta Marian . ⁊ fram sancte Petre . þam halegan apostole . ⁊ fram eallum Cristes halegum æfre on æcnysse . buton he hyt eft þe raþor gebete .

MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab., cxi, f. 74.

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930. *Grant by King Eadwig to Brithelm, Bishop of Chichester* (i.e., *Selsey*), *of lands in Vuinges* (*? Wittering*), *etc., co. Sussex.* A.D. 956.

Cathaclismi tempestate sedata, superstite quoque Noæ prosapia elonn cosmum[1] restaurante a Nino rege Babyloniæ per

[1] Elencosmium, H.; perhaps for ὅλον κόσμον.

arma pestifera tyrannidem cepisse satis declarant historiographi ! exin aureo tempore finito, necnon et aeneo ferreo sequaces modo vi pereuntes[1] modo mechanica arte cæteros fallentes, et persæpe utrosque omne subigerunt census reddere vulgus usque ad calcem, ac si[2] fortuna ludente mancipari immobiliter[3] patitur terra subditis habenis in septrigero[4] voluntatis arbitrio. At tunc veritas ipsa de terra resurgens humanæ inventionis legi contraire extimplo parvipependit: unde apostolus inquit. "Cui[5] honorem, honorem; cui vectigal, vectigal": et veritas ipsa, "Reddite[6] quæ sunt Cæsaris Cæsari, et quæ sunt Dei Deo".

Hoc ita[7] prælibato, ego EADWIG[8] basileon[9] totius Albionis hanc particulam terrae mihi Deo donante sortitam in haereditario jure singulis impartiri haud pigeo, ut eo fidelior quisque existat quo liberior abjecto censu apparet. Hinc ergo mihi fidelissimo BRITHELMO episcopo et fratribus Cyssecestriæ[10] morantibus. LX. mansas diversorum locorum quorum nomina et numerum infra monstrabit terminus ille in diocesim perpetuam pro salute animæ meæ incunctanter offero, ydoneis diversi ordinis astipulantibus viris libentissime concedo, cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus pratis. pascuis. silvis solutos jugo regali salva lege privilegiorum. Interdiximus ergo neminem ausum ire hoc factum subvertere anno incarnationis dominicæ. DCCCCLVI. imperii autem[11] primo, nisi anathema Deo et omnibus sanctis fieri minime ducat.

Termini terrarum distincti sunt praedictæ donationis in carta Anglica[12].

Ego Eadwig[8] rex gentium Albionis hoc donum immo[13] commercium tripudialis crucis vexillo spontanee impressi. ✠.
Ego Eadgar indoles clito consensi. ✠.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus corroboravi. ✠.
Ego Osuitel episcopus confirmavi. ✠.
Ego Ælfsige episcopus adquievi. ✠.
Ego Wulfsige episcopus favi. ✠.
Ego Brithelm episcopus dictavi. ✠.
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi. ✠.
Ælfgar dux. ✠.
Æðelstan dux. ✠.

[1] Praeuntes, H. [2] Sic, H. [3] -labis, H. [4] -rio, H. [5] Rom. xiii. 7. [6] Matt. xxii. 21, etc. [7] Itaque. H. [8] -wyg, H. [9] -lius, H. [10] Cyssecestriæ, H. [11] vero, B.? H. [12] This "carta Anglica" is wanting in A. and B., but the rubric names the places Yungere, Halfanhe, Etham (Æt Ham), Waltham. K.'s note in Add. MS. 32 127, f. 218. [13] Ymo, H.

Ælfhere dux . ✠ .
Eadmund[1] dux . ✠ .
Æðelmund dux . ✠ .
Æðelwold dux . ✠ .
Brihtnoð dux . ✠ .
Æðelgeard minister .
Brihtferð minister .
Ælfheah minister .
Ælfine minister .
Ælfweard minister ✠
Æðelweard minister ✠
Ælfsige minister .
Æðelmær minister .
Ælfred minister .

[A.] and [B.] MS. Selsey B. xviii, f. 7: and A., f. 19, in the cathedral, Chichester, collated by Kemble in his annotated copy of *Cod. Dipl.* Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 32,127, f. 218.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLIX; from [D.] Dugdale, *Mon. Angl.*, vol. vi, p. 1166. (Very incorrect.)
[H.] Hardy's copy in Record Office from the "Muniment Book" of the Dean and Chapter, and the Register B., f. 7, of the Bishop of Chichester.

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931. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Brihtric [Grim], of land at Rimpton, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956. *With a later addition.*

ÐIS IS ÞARA . V . HIDA BOC ÆT RIMTUNE ÞE EADRED CINING GEBOCODE BRIHTRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE .

Christi disponente gratia . Ego EADRED[2]. divina gratia favente Rex et primicherius tocius Albionis aliquantulam ruris particulam . Id est . V . mansas trado in loco qui dicitur RIMTUN . uni meo ministro nomine . BRIHTRICO . ut habeat ac possideat cunctis diebus vitæ suæ cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus . Campis . Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . Igitur imminente dissolutionis suæ calle corporis et animæ . successorum sibi carorum cuicumque placuerit menti libera jam largiatur et ipsi perpetuæ namque hujus tramitibus mundi . Hoc quod concessi terræ prænotatum á cunctis laboribus vitæ mortalium permaneat abdicatum . preter id quod nobis omnibus communiter indigeri videtur . Id est tria exercitus aditum . Ponti edificium . munitionis castellique auxilium . Si quis vero demonicæ fermentationis stimulo incedens nostrum integrum et inviolatum donum fraudulenter infringere probaverit . sciat se reum omni hora vitæ suæ et tenebrosum Tartarum non evadere . sed cum Anna et Zaphira æternæ anathematis macera perforandum ! Nisi prius hoc digna satisfactione emendare voluerit .

Istis terminibus predicta terra cyrcumgirata esse videtur .

Ðis synd þa land ge mæra To Rimtune . ærest on mearh forda upp on hunig broces stream óf beorhtulfes ge mær díc . Ðonon

[1] et plures alii duces et milites consenserunt et subscripserunt, B., and ends here.
[2] It is difficult to understand the recurrence of Eadred's name here, and in No. 923, for the king died in 955.

suð on þa díc óf ða pest langan díc . óf þære díc on pendan mæres lace . þonon on mor díc . Æft óf mor díc norð on pendan beorges hear pað . óf þam hear paðe on piðig leas pyrtruman ofer cattes flot on eátan beares pyrtruman : þonon east oþ oslaces léas east ende norð be pyrttruman on ða east langan díc pale . oððа ealdán díc peste pearde . þonon east on díc oþ heo pend norð on hig broces stream þonon æft úpp and lang streames on mæreforð neoðo pearlne . þonon norð and lang díc útt þurh pynna pudu on stroð norð pearð . þonon east on þone mær hagan . And lang hagan suþ on feld on pyrttruman oþ pæleran grafes suð ende . þonne pest and lang hear poðes suð on þa ealdan díc æft on mer forð :

Acta est hæc prefata donatio . Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . D . CCCC . LVI . Indictione . XIIII . Hujus doni constipulatorum nomina inferius notata videntur .

Ego Eadredus Rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

Ego Oda Dorobernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus sub sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi .

Ego Eadpig cliton adquievi .

Ego Eadgar frater ejus consensi .

Ego Pulfstan archiepiscopus consensi 7 subscripsi .

Ego Ælfsige episcopus corroboravi .

Ego Pulfsige episcopus testitudinem sanctæ crucis subscripsi .

Ego Ælfpold episcopus consignavi .

Ego Osulf episcopus roboravi .

Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consignavi .

Ego Aþestan Dux .

Ego Eadmund Dux .

Ego Æþelsige minister .

Ego Ælfsige minister .

Ego Ælfnoð minister .

Ego Byrhtferð minister .

Sed et hujus donationis Dunstanus abbas et omnis congregatio Glestingensis æcclesiæ testes extitisse memorantur .

Her[1] is ge sputelad þet BRIHTRIC GRIM ge an þes landes æt RIMTUNE in to ealdan mynstre æfter his dæge mid þere hide þe he syþþan be geát in to þan lande . 7 a gyfþ þa bóc þe Eadred cyning him gé bocode into þam ealdan mynstre to þere ealdan bóc . þe Æþestan cyning ær ge bocode on þet gerad þet he hæbbe þone bryce þes landes spa lange spa his tyma sy . 7 gange syððan into þare stópe spa ge pered spa hit stande mid mete 7 mid mannum . 7 mid ælcum þingan his saple to frófre . 7 þyses is to pitnesse .

[1] This paragraph omitted, K.

Dunstan arcebisceop . ⁊ Aþelpold bisceop . ⁊ Ælfstan bisceop . ⁊ Æþelgar abbod . ⁊ se hired on Glestinga byrig . ⁊ þa tpegen hiredas . on caldan mynstre . ⁊ on nipan mynstre on pintan ceastre .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 52. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXIV ; from [A.]

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932. *Grant by King Eaduuig to Ælfric the thegn, of land at Bægenweorð, or Bagworth, in Sunningwell, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE BAENPURÞE[1].

Christi disponente gratia ego EADUUIG imperiali Anglo[2] Saxonum diademate infulatus ac bonorum regum exempla secutus ⁊ populos mihi a Deo concessos regere pacifice optans[3] aliquam terre partem id est mensuram . XXV. cassatorum uni meo ministro ÆLFRICO concedo ubi dicitur ÆT BÆGENPEORDE[4]. ut vita comite habeat et post obitum sui[5] derelinquat successori cui voluerit in eternam possessionem . cum campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Hæc tellus à cuncto[6] sit immunis servitu[7] nisi pontis ⁊ arcis . expeditionis[8] juvamine .

Gloria consentientibus
Tartarum nolentibus .

Istis[9] terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Mete.[10] Ðis[9] sind þa land gemæro to Bægen peorþe . Ærest of gorgræfan up ⁊lang slades on þone þorn þonne[11] on þæt crundel suðepeard . þonne[11] to þan[12] pulle[13] þ[11] on læces[14] ford þonne[11] up ⁊lang Riþe on gemærpeg ⁊lang peges on þa dic æt scobban oran . ⁊lang dic on gemær peg . ⁊lang peges on butan þorn hangran[15] on ceobba[16] stan forþ ⁊lang gemær peges on þone peg æt cealfes[17] pulle forð ⁊lang peges . to yfemestan[18] leage þonne[11] forð ofer sciteres clif to hig pege up ⁊lang peges to þan rahhege ⁊lang peges on[19] hæsel dic . þonne on pulfstanes[20] dic . of þære dic on maduces lea þurh þone lea on þone put[21] of þan putte[22] on þone ellen stub[23] þonne on lippan dic ⁊lang on seofen æceras[24] pestepearde þonne[11] on þone hæþenan byrgels þonne on þæt scorte land suþepeard þæt

[1] Carta de Bagenwrthe ; rubric in B. [2] Angol, B. [3] Obtans, B. [4] Ad Bagenwrde, B. [5] Suum, B. [6] Cunctis, B. [7] -tute, B. [8] -que, added, B. [9] This sentence omitted, B. [10] Limites . XXV . cassatorum ad Bægenweorðæ, B. [11] þonon, B. [12] þam, B. [13] pylle, B. [14] Lecæs, B. [15] Prohthangran, B. [16] -ban, B. [17] Cealues, B. [18] -mastan, B. [19] To, B. [20] pufstanes, B. [21] Pyt, B. [22] þam pytte, B. [23] Styb, B. [24] Seouan æcera, B.

ɂlang fyrh on þone healfan æcer þonne on þæt piþig bed þonne on dunan ford of þan[1] forda ɂlang sunnigga pullæ[2] broces on pudæford[3] þonne ɂlang hrieges[4] on pest mor innon[5] þone broc up ɂla[n]g broces on gorgraues[6] þær hit ær on feng.

[7]Þis[8] sint þara mead ge mæra þe to þan lande ge byriaþ. ærest of þære brycge on berige[9] up ɂlang mid stremes[10] oþ foran ongean þa niþan dic[11] þonne[12] oþ midne streamen[13] niþer[14] ɂlang streames up on þone greatan pilig[15] þonne[12] ɂlang þære hege[16] ræpe ut on þa ea oþ midne stream.

Þonne synt þis[17] þa ge mæro þære mæde æt eunan beorgum. of þære dice ende[18] ford þon þa[19] ea niþer[20] ɂlang mid streames up on þa pon lace oþ foran ongean þone beorh þær be tpeonan meade[21] ɂ dune eft on þa dic.

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC. LVI. indictione quarta decima[22].

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi[23].
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi[24].
✠ Ego Oda[25] archiepiscopus[26] cum signo sancte crucis roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum sanctæ crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Uulfsige episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Byrhthe[l]m episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Alfuuold episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.

✠ Ego Eadmund dux.	✠ Ego Þulfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.	✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtferþ dux.	✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Aþelmund dux.	✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Aelfhere dux.	✠ Ego Byrhtferþ minister.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.	✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.	✠ Ego Ælfuuold minister.

1 þam. B. 2 Sunninga pylle, B. 3 pudaford, B. 4 Hrycges, B. 5 In on, B. 6 grafas, B. 7 Et he sunt mete pratorum pertinentium ille, rubric in B. 8 This sentence omitted, B. 9 Brycge, B. 10 Streames, B. 11 Up ɂlang dic, added, B. 12 þonon, B. 13 -ane, B. 14 Niðer, B.; in ther, S. 15 pelig. B., and so altered, A. 16 Hege, B. 17 Þis synd, B. 18 Ænde, B. 19 Forð on þa B. 20 Niþer, B. 21 Mæde, B. 22 xii, B. 23 ✠ Ego Eadwi rex, etc., B. 24 Frater regis, B. 25 Odo, B 26 Arch. consensimus et subscripsimus, and ends here, B.

✠ Ego Ælfsige minister . ✠ Ego Æþeluuld minister .
✠ Ego Ælfric minister . ✠ Ego Uulfgar minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuig minister . ✠ Ego Uulfric minister .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 54b.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 113. Boundaries at f. 198.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCII; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 219.

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933. *Grant by King Edwi to Elswi, Abbot of Glastonbury, of land at Netelington, or Nettleton, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWY DE NETELINGTONE FACTA ABBATI ET MONASTERIO DE GLASTINGBURI.

Christo jura regnorum omnia disponente primo Anno mei regiminis . Ego EDWI prepotens Angligene genologie ceptro fretus uni meo fideli videlicet abbati GLASTINGENSI vocitato nomine ELSWIO . viginti . mansas consensio illo in loco ubi ruricole appellativo usu nomen indiderunt . AT NETELINGTONE . en in suo vivere cum prosperitate semper istum exennium optineat et post se cum cirographo perpetuo cui voluerit eternaliter derelinquat cum campis paschuis pratis silvis sine expedicione et pontis arcisve constructione . sic vero maneat predictum rus defensum ab omni obstaculo et liberum a cuncto servicio exceptis istis tribus sicut superius prenotatum est .

Si quis autem quod non optamus infringere temptaverit quod absit sciat se racionem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit .

Acta est hec prefata donacio . anno ab incarnacione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DC . C . C . C LVI . indictione . XIIII .

✠ Ego Edwi rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter consensi .
✠ Ego Edgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi cum multis aliis .

Bodl. Libr., Wood MS. i, f. 254b.

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934. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Byrnric, of land at Langanford or Langford, co. Wilts.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS HIS ÞERE . VI . HIDA BOC ÆT LANGANFORDE ÞE EADÞIG CING GEBOCODE BYRNRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECHE YRFE .

Xpisto Theo nos admonente ex fugitivis et propriis istius seculi possessionibus lucrum sempiternum adquirere valeamus illo

dicente "Thesaurizate[1] vobis thesaurum in celo" et reliqua. Quam ob causam ego EADWIG. annuente omnipotentis Dei clementia rex Anglorum multarumque gentium circumquaque persistentium gubernator et rector; Cuidam mihi fidelissimo ministro. BYRNRIC. nomine devotionis ejus sollertia ejusque placatus obsequio dignatus sum impertire. VI. mansas. in illo loco ubi jamdudum solicole illius regionis nomen imposuerunt. ÆT LANGANFORDA. Ut possideat et firmiter teneat usque ad ultimum cursum vite sue cum omnibus utensilibus que Deus celorum in ipso telluris gramine creavit tam in notis causis et ignotis in modicis et in magnis. Campis. pascuis. pratis. Silvis. donans donabo libertatem. Et post sé cuicumque voluerit eternaliter derelinquat ceu superius prenotavi. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum eterna libertate jocundum. Sine expeditione. et pontis. arcisve instructione.

Si quis vero non perhorrescat evertere machinans nostrum decretum. Sciat se maledictionem Dei semper possidere cum diabolo in inferni profunditate.

Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus.

Þis synt þa land gemæra to langanforde. Ærest of þare ea on east cumb. þonon on æs dune. of æs dune to puntes stane þonon 7lang grimes dic to hunan pege to þam stane. þonon on botes cumb. þonon on þone to brocenan beorh. þonon adune 7lang peges on þone lytlan to brocenan beorh. þonon eft on þa ea.

Hec carta scripta est. Anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC LVI. Indictione. XIIII.

Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
Ego Odo archiepiscopus cum signo crucis ✠ roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agye crucis impressi.
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus consignavi.
Ego Cenpald episcopus adquievi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Osulf episcopus non renui.
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus scripsi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.

Æþelstan dux.
Eadmund dux.
Aeþelstan dux.
Aelfhere dux.
Aeþelsige dux.
Aþelwold dux.
Aelfsige minister.
Aeþelgeard minister.
Aelfheah minister.

[1] Matt. vi, 20.

Eeadric minister . | Aelfpig minister .
Aelfsige minister . | Aelfpine minister .
Aelfric minister . | Aelfmaer minister .

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 69.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxlvi; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 450.

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935. *Grant by King Eadwig to Ælfwine, of land at Middleton in Marcham, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

✠ Creator cæli ac terræ per verbum spiritui sancto coæternum in principio . karismata[1] per tempora legis naturæ . litteræ vel gratiæ distribuit gubernando generi humano : sed ubi descendere dignatus[2] Deus verus et homo . amplexatus est jure hereditario septiformem spiritum quo replevit orbem terrarum . unicuique dividens katacapta[3] singulorum . ex quo præventi ingenio fulgent . viribus pollent . dominari jam audent vitiis suis . quippe peruncti nomine Christi proindeque nonnulli minime hesitant dispertiri caduca vilia deputantes comparando mansura . Ideirco ego EADPIG[4] Dei largiente gratia rex Anglorum adornari cupio quemque devotum . Huic etiam meo familiarissimo . ÆLFPINE . vocitato . XV . mansas ÆT MIDDELTUNE[5] in hereditatem concedo perennem[6] cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus possidendam et tradendam quandoque cuicumque voluerit heredi . Acta est autem haec solutio agri ab omni censu regali libera . excepta . expeditione pontis arcisque constructione . anno . DCCCCLVI . ab incarnatione dominica indictione . XIIII . primo vero[7] anno imperii mei coram testibus idoneis .

✠ Þis sint þa land gemæra[8]. ærest of ceale forda on ealdan lacing þanune[9] on dyðmere[10]. þanune[11] on sceortan mor þanune[11] on þone anlipan beorh þanune[11] on hæsel broc þanune[11] up to gynan bæte[12] þonne to þam[13] stodfalde þanune[11] to seofan þornum[14] þonne[15] to smalan pege ⁊[15] on lacing ⁊ syx cotsetlan .

✠ Ego[16] Eadpig rex Deo favente Anglorum hanc donationem tropheo sanctæ ✠ crucis sigillo .
Ego Eadgar indoles clito annui .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
Ego Pulfsige episcopus confirmavi .

[1] Car., B. C. [2] Est, added, C. [3] Cata capta. B. [4] Eadwi, C. [5] Ad Middeltune, C. [6] Perhennem, B. C. [7] Vero, omitted, C. [8] -rea, S. [9] þanū, B. [10] Deþ mere, B. [11] þanne, B. [12] Bæce. B. [13] þan, B. [14] -num, B. [15] Omitted, B. [16] These witnesses thus in C.—Ego Eadwi rex . Ego Eadgar frater regis . Ego Elfsige episcopus consensimus .

Ego Oscytyl[1] episcopus favi.
Ego Osulf episcopus dictavi.
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi.

✠ [2]Æþelstan[3]
✠ Æþelsige[3]
✠ Ælfhere[3]
✠ Æþelstan[3]
✠ Æþelmund[3]
✠ Byrhtferð[3]
✠ Ælfgar minister.
✠ Byrhtferð minister.
✠ Æþelmær minister.

✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Æþelpold minister.
✠ Ælfre[4] minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.
✠ Pulfric minister.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Æþelpeard minister.

Hoc donum amodo servaturus[5] glorificetur a Christo. destruens vero conatum illum non impleat. sed precipitatus corruat in barathri[6] profundo:

Endorsed:—"þis is þara. xv. hida boc æt Middeltune þe Eadpig cing gebocode Ælfpine on ece yrfe:~; *in hands of the xiiith century*, "Karta de mideltona." "Midleton."; *and in one of the late xvth century*, "Codicelle Edpii Regis."

[A.] Cotton Charter Augustus ii, 41. (Contemporary.)
[B.] MS Cotton, Claudius B. vi f. 53.
[C.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix f. 117b. Boundaries at f. 197b.
[S.] Chron. *Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 212.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclxiv; from [A.]
[D.] MS Harl. 61, f. 14 (an abbreviated copy on paper).

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936. *Grant by King Eadwig to the Church of St. Peter at Bath, of lands at Ælfestun and Æsctun, or Alveston and Cold Ashton, co. Gloucester. About* A.D. 955 × 959.

DE ALVESTONA. ET ÆISCTONA.

Cum ecclesiastes noster non solum parabolis verum etiam evidenti et perspicua re omnia mundialia frivola esse satis ostenderit et mentis perturbationem. Cui anhelando nititur cupido humani moliminis possidere ea quæ velut umbra transeunt nequaquam reversura. Set eo festinatius proficisci adgrediamur. quo finem mundi jam credimus appropinquasse. Unde veritas. "Ambulate[7] dum lucem habetis". Et apostolus. "Quæ[8] sursum sunt quærite. non quæ super terram".

Quocirca ego EADWIG basileus Albionis monarchus. viris eccle-

[1] Oscetel, B. [2] Ego prefixed to each name throughout, B. [3] Dux, added, B. [4] -sige, B. [5] Servanti, C. [6] -tri, B. C. [7] Joh. xii, 35. [8] Col. iii, 2.

siasticis præ cæteris operam impendere curabo . quatinus meritis et precibus sanctorum eorum numero merear conjungi in cælis . Vnde et mansas . V . ÆT ÆLVESTUNE . et alias . V . mansas ÆT ÆSCTUNE[1]. quas[2] patruelis meus Æþelstanus rex obtulerat æcclesiæ beati Petri apostolorum principis . quæ sita est BATHONIS civitate . jam nuper tyrannide abstractas . reddere procurat imperialis nostra potestas . et in diocesim perpetuam eidem præfatæ æcclesiæ denuo immolat et nostra condonatio . Quominus posteritas violare audeat hoc donum Deo et apostolo oblatum . omni regali sarcina solutum . salva expeditione . pontis . et arcis . munitione . Quicumque ámodo hoc diripere vel in aliquo sollicitare temptaverit . anathema sit judice Christo .

Divisiones Ælvestona . Þis synd þara . V . hida land gemæru æt Alfestune . Ærest on hring pylle . of hring pylle duddingdene . andlang denes on þa ealdan mær dic . andlang dice pest on gerihte on smita pull . of smita pylle pest rihte on blaca ford . of blaca forda innan hreodham . of hreodhamme on cildes hammes pest ende . þonne norð on gerihte to hreodpican on þa ealdan stræt . and lang stræt to norðpican . of norðpican eft and lang strete to billes ham . of billes hamme eft on gerihte innan myccla pyll . of myccla pylle on smala pyll . andlang pylles on hpita gærstune . of hpita gæ[r]stune on ða mær dic . andlang dice to mormæde norð hyrnan . þonn norð rihte on ða dic innan hola pyll . and lang hola pylles eft on ða mær dic . ðonne eft be ðære dic to ðær stanenan bricge . of þære bricge suð innan pærbyrdes croft . eall on buton . eft on þa mær dic . and lang dic to mærcumbe . and lang cumbes midperd to ðære ealdan stræt . andlang stræte to beadan healan . of beadan healan est rihtes innan rige cumb norðe pærd to þære smalan ǽc . of þære ǽc andlang cumbes to pislege . Of pislege on doggiþorn . Of þam þorne to eadingham . of þam hamme to fotmæle . of fotmæle est rihtes on pulfputt . of þam pytte on ða pogan ǽc . of ðære ác on þa foryrðe easteperde æt langalege . Of langalege to pulfbricge . of pulfbricge to grenhylle . of þam hylle to mannes dæle . of mannes dæle to æccelcumbes heafdan . þanon pest rihtes on þa ealdan stan reape to þare ealdan béc . Of ðare bec innan cucan healas on ðone æsc . of þam æsce on scypa cumb to þam broke . Andlang brokes to ðam gemære . Þonne þar norðrihtes andlang ludescumbes to þam ealdan herepaðe . pest andlang herepaðes to ælla treope . on hola pæg . of hola

[1] Cum advocacionibus ecclesiarum, in a late handwriting overline, MS.
[2] Glossed, . s . Aisctune, overline, MS.

preige to hafoc hylle . of hafoc hylle be þare ealdan dic eft on hring pylle .

MS. Corpus Christi Coll., Cambridge, cxi. p. 71.

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937. *Grant by King Eadwi to the Monastery at Worcester, of land and saltworks at Fepsetnatune, or Phepson, near Himbleton on the Dean Brook and Hymel or Himble Brook, near Worcester, co. Worcester.* A.D. 956.

DE FEPSETNA TUNE[1].

℞ Cuncta[2] quæ cernuntur inter cælum et terram practice temporalia sunt . et quæ non videntur in cælestibus theorice catholica fide credenda sunt . Quapropter antiqui dudum decreverunt cum terrenis æternalia et caducis celestia collucrari .

Ideoque illuc anelando toto mentis conamine alacriter . EADWI Rex nutu Dei Angulsæxna . et Northanhumbrorum imperator . paganorum gubernator . Breotonumque propugnator . gratanter ut dictum est Deo cohortante "gratis[3] accepistis gratis date" . dat precibus et suasionibus Brihtnothi regalis presidis monasterio WIGORNENSI quinque cassatos AD FEPSETNATUNE cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus ut libere ac perpetualiter habeant ab omnibus scilicet supervenientibus negotiis preter expeditionem et emendationem pontis et arcis . Preterea . V . salsuginis fornaces ad eandem villam in perpetuum jure hereditario subjacere in nomine altithroni conditoris precipit ac permittit .

Hæc carismata caraxata sunt Cirnaceastre anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC . L . VI . et primo anno regiæ dignitatis . Eadwi . quo sceptra rexit regalia . Constat etiam hic codicellus magna auctoritate catholicorum sic titulatus . Beatus agonista totius Britta'n'nie Eadwi en imperat obsecrando et obsecrat imperando per munus euuangelicæ auctoritatis ut nullus fraudulenter hoc ejus donum audeat violare : ne penas luat mortis amaræ . Sed unusquisque qui animæ suæ amicus et custos velit esse : huic donationi sue studeat augmentando et servando prodesse : ut gaudiis civium cælestium valeat interesse .

Eadwi regum precellentissimus hoc prerogativum cum triumphali vexillo . Et Oda archiepiscopus cum cæteris

[1] On margin in a late handwriting, "Flepetoune". [2] Much of this charter appears to be alliterative and poetical. For some of the phrases cf. No. 918. [3] Matt. x, 8.

presulibus aliisque obtinatibus quorum vocabola subnotantur consignat.

Osketel summus pontifex.	Elfsie. episcopus.
Wlsie episcopus.	Oswlf. episcopus.
Ast regulus.	Eadgar. regulus.
Morgant regulus.	Eadmund. dux.
Athelmund. dux.	Alfhere. dux.
Alfwald. didasculus.	Dunstan[1] dogmatista.
Kenwold. monachus.	Brihtferht minister.
Vrm. minister.	Gunner minister.

Ðis syndon ða gemæru to Fepsetnatune.

Ærost of hymel broc. ⁊ swa. on suð dene. of þære dene on fleferð. ⁊ swa on ða dic. ondlang dices on mær ford. of ðam forde on nut fen. ꝥ swa ondlang dene. of ðære dene on æþelflede sige[2]. swa on scylf wege of þæm wege on hymel broc.

[A.] MS. Cotton. Tiberius A. xiii, f. 148. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccli; from
[H.] Hearne's *Heming*, vol. ii, p. 333. | [A.]

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938. *Grant by King Eadwig to Ælfric the thegn, of land at Alresford, co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA. XL. HYDA BOC ÆT ALRESFORDA ÐE EDWIG CYNIG GEBOCODE ÆLFRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFÆ.

Divino spreto mandato et suggestione diabolica obaudita protoplastus infelix omnem miseriam héu induxerit in posteris suis. ádeo ut caducis prosperis vel blandimentis hujus seculi minime gaudent funditus perpendentes ipsam adhuc mortem imminere inevitabilem. sed multo magis ambiunt adipisci paradisica gaudia presertim domino incarnato.

Vnde ego EADWIG. Rex Anglorum huic meo familiarissimo utique fideli nomine ÆLFRICO. XL. mansas ubi dicitur. ET ALRESFORDA in hereditatem tribuo perhenniter possidendam et tradendam. cuicunque voluerit heredi cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus. pratis. pascuis. silvis.

Anno. DCCCCLVI. Indictione. XIIII. Regni autem mei primo anno. Soluta est hæc prefata terra omni jugo regali excepta expeditione pontis arcisque constructione. testibus idoneis adstipulantibus.

Ðis synt þa land ge mere to alresforda. Ærest up on cendefer ⁊land mearce on þa pitan dic þonne ⁊lang dic on mere wege be

[1] Dunstant, H. [2] Altered later to sÿge, MS.

þam ƿege on he dene þanun on smalan dene þanune and lang hlinces on boegan ora þonne forð and lang ƿyrt ƿale on þa rode ⁊lang rode on ƿilames ord þanun on spreot mere þonne on þ tƿybytme del. þanún on beran del. þonne ón mint mere. þonne on fel dene þonne ⁊lang feld dene on þone hagan. þ and lang hagan tó blacan sole. þonne to greumeres stigele þanun andlang hagan on boc meres sðile. þonne on hemer denegat. þanun on hremmescumbe geát þanun on dun sðihle ⁊lang mearce út æt rieg sceate þonne and lang mearce to dreg tune on þone ford. þonne on puda ford. þonne ⁊lang mearce on þone garan uf perðne of ðam garam norð ofer þa streat ⁊ lang mearce on þa ⁊ƿulmas[1] ⁊lang ƿylla on ticceburnan þonne andlang streames on icénan ⁊ lanð Icenan oð þ ær cendefer ut scyt þer up ⁊lang cendefer oð þer hít on feng.

Ego Eadƿig. Rex Anglorum cum tripudio sanctæ crucis hoc donum corroborando confirmavi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus impressi.
Ego Eadgar indoles clito consensi.
Ego Elfsige episcopus confortavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi.
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus annui.
Ego Daniel episcopus dictavi.

Ego Ædelstan dux.	Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Æþelsige dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Elthere dux.	Ego Eþelmer minister.
Ego Eadmund dux.	Ego Æþelgerd minister.
Ego Æþelstan dux.	Ego Ælfred minister.
Ego Eðelmund dux.	Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Ælfgar minister.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Berehferd minister.	Ego Ƿulfric minister.

Si quis amodo hoc donum conservare voluerit. Deus illum conservet hic et in futuro. destruiturus vero quod absit precipitetur in cociti palude[2].

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 21. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl. No. [illegible]; from [A.]

[1] Æwul, K. [2] Cocyti palude, at first, altered as in text, MS.

939. *Another form of the boundaries of the land mentioned in No.* 938.

TERMINI ALRESFORDE.

Đis syd[1] þa land gemere to alresforda erest up of cendefer and lang mearce on þa pitan dic ꝥ and lang dic on mearc peg and land peges on þer dene on þer dene on smalandene of smalandene and lang hlinces on bucgen oran. ꝥ ford and lang pyrtpale ón þa rode and lang rode on pilames ord þonon on spreot mere þonon on þo tpibútme del þonón on beran delle on mint mere of mint mere on fel dene þonne and lang fel dene on þone hagan. þonne and lang hagan on grem mores syðle[1]. þonon and lang hagan on boc mere syðle. of boc meres shiðle on hamer dene gat. þonne non on hrombmescumbes geat. of hrammescumbes geáte on dun shihle[1] of dun shihle and lang mearce ut at riegsceáte. ꝥ and lang mearce to dregtune on þane ford. of ðan forda on puda ford ꝥ up of þan forda and lang mearce on þane garan uf perðne of þan garan nord ofer þast rét[1]. and lang mearce on þa æpylmas and lang pylla on ticceburnan þonne and lang streames on iccénan. and lang icenan on þer cendefer ut scyt. þonne up and lang cendefer oð þar hit on feng.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 21*b*.

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940. *Grant by King Eadwiu to Ælfwine the thegn, of land at Geacesléa, or Yaxley, co. Huntingdon.* A.D. 956.

Ego EADWIU Anglorum rex ac totius Britannice telluris gubernator et rector cuidam meo fideli ministro ac militi ÆLFWINE quandam partem ruris libenter dedi. XV. mansas II[bus] in locis decem videlicet illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur ÆT GEAKESLEA. Quinque vero æt fearreshefde.

Þes aren þe land mere to Geaces lea to þam ten hiden. þanne lyð ægþeres landes mæres her to geder to dic hyþe of, etc.

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis 956 Indictione XIIII.

Ego Eadwyu gratia Dei totius Britannice telluris rex meum donum proprio sigillo confirmavi.

Ego Eadgar ejusdem Regis frater celeriter consensi.

[1] *Sic*, MS.

Ego Odo Dorovernensis ecclesie archipresul alme crucis signo roboravi .

Ego Ælfsinus Wyntoniensis ecclesie divinus speculator proprium sigillum impressi .

[A.] Add. MS. 5,937, f. 133b. (Late transcript from the Thorney Register.) | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXX; from [A.]

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941. *Grant by King Eadwig to Aelric of land not specified.* A.D. 956.

Ego EADWIG largiflua summi tonantis providentia rex Anglorum et cunctigenarum Albionis popularum[1] toto mentis 'et visu[2] meos preces fidissimos ad Dei omnipotentis voluntatem revocare curabo prout potissimum et eo amplius mei devotissimi predecessores fecisse comprobantur . Quicquid vero cepius vel negligentius quacumque ex causa eos egisse compertus fuero emendare studebo . Qua de re ob amorem vere sapientie meo adoptativo parenti vocabulo AELRICO . XX . mansas libenti animo concedo . pro sua satisfactione Christique amando . LX[ta]. ipse mihi concedente coram testibus et idoneis proceribus me illum diligendo hoc prefatum rus signaculo crucis Christi corroboro . Quatenus cuicumque heredi se vivendo tribuat viteque post sue disscessionem[1] ab hujus caducitate mundi donum ipsius firmiter in eternum permaneat cum omnibus rebus pertinentibus , scilicet , campis , pratis , pascuis , piscationibus preter expeditionem pontiumve necnon arcium[3]. predicta terra sit ab omni fisci[4] regale libera .

Si quis quidem[5] absit nostram donationem frangere conatus fuerit sciat se anatematum esse ante tribunalem domini nostri Jhesu Christi hac vero conditione interposita prefata terra in vita sux bene perfruatur , et cuicumque heredi voluerit derelinquat .

Annis namque dominice nativitatis transactis IX[c]. LVI . Indictione . XIIII . hic codicellus conscriptus est .

✠ Ego Eadwig divina alubescente gratia totius Albionis rex hoc donum agie crucis taumate tripudians roboravi .

Ego Oda archiepiscopus signum crucis impressi .

Ego Eadgar clito ejusdem regis Adelfus roboravi .

[1] Sic, MS. [2] Annisu, K. [3] Constructionem, added, K.
[4] -ens, K. [5] Quod, K.

Ego Aelfsige episcopus consensi .
Ego Wulfsige presul subscripsi .
Ego Cynsige antistes corroboravi .
Ego Cenwiold pontifex hoc idem confirmavi .
Ego Oscytel consentiens roboravi .
Ego Osulf presul hoc idem confirmavi .
Ego Athulf presul hoc idem confirmavi .
Ego Daniel jubente Rege hanc singrapham dictavi .
Ego Dunstan Abbas consensi .
Ego Aethelstan dux cum ceteris suffraganeis hoc donum roboravi .
Ego Aethelsige Dux .

Ego Aelfhere Comes .	Ego Aethelstan Dux .
Ego Eadmund Dux .	Ego Aelfheh discifer .
Ego Byrhtferht Dux .	Ego Aelsige discifer .
Ego Aethelmund Dux .	Ego Aelfsige discifer .

Ego Eadric hoc Deo corroborante meo fratri affirmo .

Ego Osweard minister .	Ego Aethelgeard minister .
Ego Leofuvine minister .	Ego Oswig minister .
Ego Eadmund minister .	Ego Aetheluuold minister .
Ego Aethelmer minister .	Ego Aelfwine minister .

[A.] MS. Harl. 68, f. 16*b*. (A late copy.) | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCI; from [A.]

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942. *Grant by King Eaduuig to Ælfsige, of land in Bennaham, or Benham in Welford, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDUUII DE BENNAHAM .

In Christi nomine atque virtute sagaci intuendo prospectu casus lapsusque conditionis humane de qua ecclesiastes . " vanitas"[1] inquit " vanitatum ⁊ omnia vanitas" incessanter referre debitrices gratias oportet ei videlicet cujus bonitate dum non essemus conditi sumus dum periclitamur beneficiis refocillamur . dum denique omnia eterna perditi nece . ipsius livore nos esse credimus redintegratos ad vitam ⁊ eandem mercando mutuari conceditur eterna caducis veritate dicente . " Tesaurizate[2] vobis thesauros in celo" ⁊ cetera .

Quapropter ego . EADUUIG rex monarcus Brittannie insule favente Deo huic meo fideli nomine . ÆLFSIGE . XX . V . mansas in loco qui dicitur BENNAHAMME in jure he[re]ditario concedo perfruituro commite vita post vero sui obitum licentiam 'h'abeat com-

[1] Eccl. i, 2. [2] Matt. vi, 20.

mendandi cuicumque placuerit heredi cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus pratis pascuis silvis venationibus immunis amodo permaneat iste ager ab omni censu regali . excepta expeditione pontis arcisque constructione .

Si quis amodo hanc nostram donationem ammoverit sciat se Deo contra iturum ire non mihi qui ab illo potestatem accepi .

Mete de Bennaham.[1] Dis[2] syndan þa land ge mæro æt Bennanhamme . Ærest of cynetan on þa mearclic of þære dic on headdes pyl of þan pylle on clænan crundel . of þan crundele on þa readan hane . of þære hane on pigmundes spelgende of þan[3] spelgende up on þane[4] hryc andlang hrycces to ·ellan stapole . of þan[3] stapole on aecan[5] ge fyrhðe[6] of þan[3] gefyrhðe on meos broces ford of þan[3] forda on serget[7] of þan gete on holan broces hæffod[8] ðonne on þæt hæcget þanne on þa[9] rode casteprurde[10] of þære rode on mær lace of þere[11] lace on stapelford[12] ut on cynetan þanne[13] up ⁊ lang healfan streame[14] eft on mærdic . ⁊ codan med þerto[15].

Acta est autem hec donatio anno . DCCCC . LVI . ab incarnatione dominica indictione . XIIII^a^. Regni autem mei primo anno .

Testes. ✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sancte crucis impressi .

✠ Ego Eadgar indoles clito confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus favi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux .
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux .
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux .
✠ Ego Æþelpuold dux .
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Byrhtferð minister .
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister .
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuine minister .
✠ Ego Æþelric minister .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 134.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 107b. Boundaries only.
[C.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson vol. i, p. 210.
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCXCIII; from (A. B.)

[1] Termini . xxv . mansorum apud Bennanham, B. [2] This sentence omitted, B. [3] þam, B. [4] An þone, B. [5] Æcan, B. [6] Gefyrðe, B. [7] Sergeat, B. [8] Hæfod, B. [9] Sa, B. [10] -aride, B. [11] þære, B. [12] Stapulford, B. [13] þanne, B. [14] Streame, B. [15] Mæd þer to, B.

943. *Grant by King Æduuig to the thegn Ælfsige, of land at Kettering, co. Northampton.* A.D. 956.

DE KETERING.

✠ In nomine cosmi salvatoris et humani generis redemptoris Jhesu Christi domini nostri qui solus cum patre et spiritu sancto regnum tenet immortale. Ego ÆDUUIG. divina dispositione gentis Angligenæ et diversarum nationum industrius rex uni meo ministro cui nomen est ÆLFSIGE. X. cassatos perenniter impendo penes illum locum quo assertione multorum hominum profertur ita. ÆT CYTRINGAN. ámodo cum securitate nostrum donum vita comite sibi usurpet. se obeunte cuicumque voluerit in karisma perenne impertiat. cum campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Sit vero hæc terra ab omni seculari negotio libera excepta expeditione et pontis ac arcis constructione.

Si quis vero tirannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti cyrografum. sciat se coram Christo et angelis ejus in tremendo examine rationem redditurum. nisi hic prius emendare satagerit.

Istis terminis hæc tellus ambita videtur. þis sint þa land ge mære to Cytringan. Cranslea bri'c'g andlang ðes burnan. hit cymð to Hunan bricge. fram Hunan bricge to þam galhtreope on deopandene. of deoppendene on Cynestanes heafod. of Cynestanes heafde on þa langan dic of þere dic to piclea forde ⁊lang ysan. þet cymð to pihteslea forda. of þam forda ⁊lang þes broches ꝥ hit cymð eft to Cranslea bricge.

Hæc carta scripta est anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCCLVI. indictione. XIIII.

Ego ÆDUUIG rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Ædgar ejusdem regis frater. consensi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis ✠ corroboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus præsul sigillum agyæ crucis ✠ impressi.
Ego Cenuuald episcopus consignavi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non renui.
Ego Ælfuuold episcopus consensi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.

Æthelstan dux. Æthelstan dux.
Ædmund dux. Ælfhere dux.

Ælfsige dux .	Ælfsige .
Æthelmund dux .	Ælfgar .
Ælfsige minister .	Byrhtferð .
Ælfheach minister .	Adeluuold .
Wlfric minister .	Ælfsige .
Æthelgeard .	Ælfuuine .
Ælfuuold .	Wlgar .
Ælfric .	Ælric ministri .

[A.] MS. Soc. Antiq., lx, f. [illegible]. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxliii; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. [illegible].

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944. *Grant by King Eadwig to Æðelgeard, of land at Niwantun, or Newton-Solney, near Burton-upon-Trent, co. Derby.* A.D. 956.

CARTA EADPIG REGIS DE NIPANTUNE . DCCCC . LVI . INDICTIONE . XIIII .

ᵖ In nomine Cosmi salvatoris et humani generis redemptoris Jhesu Christi domini nostri qui solus cum patre et spiritu sancto regnum tenet immortale ! Ego EADPIG dispossicione gentis Anglігene . et diversarum nationum Industrius rex uni meorum karorum quem condetinus diligo nomine ÆDELGEARD . V . mansas dedi illi ubi vulgariter dicitur ÆT NIPANTUNE . quamdiu hic corpus animatum habere videbitur nostri doni privilegium sibi vendicet . ⁊ postero denique suo quemcumque elegerit perhenniter imperciat . cum campis pascuis pratis silvis . Sit vero hec terra ab omni seculari negocio libera . excepta expedicione . ⁊ pontis ac arcis constructione .

Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donacionem cum stulticie temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit . sit ipse gravibus per colla depressus catenis inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum catenas . nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit .

Istis terminis circumgirata asseritur ante scilicet supradicta terra . etc.

Acta est hec prefata donatio anno ab Incarnatione Domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . LVI . Indictione . XIIII .

✠ Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem Regis frater consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis ✠ roboravi . Et ceteri ut supra[1] Episcopi . Duces ⁊ ministri .

Mr W. R. M. Wynne's MS at Peniarth, [illegible], p. [illegible].

[1] This refers to the charter preceding this one in the MS. See No. 951 (Mortune).

945. *Grant by King Eadwig to Ælfhere, of land at Cuthenes dene, or Cuddesdon, co. Oxon.* A.D. 956.

✠ In nomine creatricis omnium rerum et dominatricis sanctae trinitatis omnipotentis quae sola regnum immutabile et incorruptibile atque ineffabile perpetua potestate possidet ac continet. Ego EADWIG industris Anglorum rex. ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. primo anno imperii mei litteratoriis apicibus hanc roboravi cartulam. quam cum consensu heroicorum virorum tradidi cuidam comiti. non solum mihi per omnia fideli subjectione obtemperanti. verum etiam in omnibus meum velle subicienti a suis carissimis praedecessoribus claro insignitus nomine ÆLFHERE. modicam in regno meo partem id est. XX. mansos perpetualiter impendo. penes illum locum qui assertione multorum hominum perfertur ita. ÆT [C]UÞENES DUNE. Precipiens itaque precipio ut terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovanti concessu in omni suae curriculo possideat vitae. Deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in perpetuam hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum perpetua libertate munitum. cum omnibus ad se pertine'n'tibus campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore expeditione pontis arcisve coedificatione.

Si qui denique me non optanti hanc libertatis cartam cupiditatis livore depressi violare satagerint. cum agminibus tetrae caliginis lapsi. vocem audiant in examinationis die arbitris sic dicentis. "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem aeternum". ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in poena. si non ante mortem hoc emendaverint poenitentia.

Þis syndon þa land gemæru to cuþenes dune. XX. hida. [of] hrȳþera forda on holan ford. of holan forde on lahhan mere ⁊lang riþiges on bradan mædþa. þæt swa norð ⁊lang fura on set þorn. of set þorne on fúlan riþig on anne pȳt. of þam pȳtte ⁊lang riþiges on þæt heafod lond. of þam heafodon ⁊lang fura. on pric þorn on forepeardne eanferþes hlau. of eanferþes hlawe ⁊lang fure. þæt on án riþig. ⁊lang riþiges ꝥ on ane díc. ⁊lang dices on drȳgean bróc. þæt swa ⁊lang dices on mærwelle bróc. ⁊lang broces on mærwelle. of mærwelle. on þæt heafod long on gerihte to stræt. þonne east ⁊lang stræte. oþ þæra stræta gelæto. þ[on]an rihte norþ ondlong weges oþ þa heafdo ꝥ on mær weg. ⁊long mær weges ꝥ ónbutan ceorla gráf. on fost bróc. of fost bróce on þone hlið weg. ⁊long weges on hina gemæro. ⁊long hina gemæres on þa hlȳdan. ꝥ of þær hlȳdan on þa stan bricge. ⁊long healhtunes gemæres on risc

dene . þæt of risc dene on gerihte on þæt þri ex[1] . of þan þri exe[2] on þa stræt . ⁊long stræte on holan bróc . ⁊long broces on herpaþ ford on tame ⁊long tame ꝥ eft on hrýþera ford .

Hæc carta scripta est . anno dominice incarnationis DCCCCLVI . indictione XIIII .

✠ Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctae crucis ✠ roborav[i] .
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis ✠ impressi .
✠ Ego Brihtelm episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oscýtel episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus non rennui .
✠ Ego Alfpold episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .

✠ Ego Eadmund dux .	✠ Æþelmær minister .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .	✠ Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux .	✠ Ælfpine minister .
✠ . . . . dux[3] .	✠ Pulfstan minister .
✠ Ælfheah minister .	✠ Pulfgar minister .
✠ Ælfred minister .	✠ Eadric minister .

Endorsed in a contemporary hand:—"þis is seo lanboc to Cuþenes dune to þan tpentigan hidan þe Eadpig cýnc gebocede Ælfhere his ealdormen on ýrfe."; *and in one of the xiith century,* "Eduii" "carta de Codesdona".

(A.) MS. Cotton, Augustus ii, 33 (Nearly contemporary copy.)
(F.) Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii. pl. 17.
(K.) Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No ccccxxxviii; from (A.)
(B.) MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 89.
(C.) MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 112. (The witnesses reduced to the first three.)
(S.) *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 208.

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916. *Grant by King Eadwig to the Earl Ælfhere, of land at Wilman lehttune.*[4] A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDUUII DE WILMALEAHTUN .

In nomine creatricis omnium rerum ⁊ dominatricis sancte trinitatis omnipotentis qui solus regnum immutabile ⁊ incorruptibile atque ineffabile perpetua potestate possidet ac continet . Ideo ego . EADUUIG industrius Anglorum rex ceterarumque gentium in cir-

[1] þriex, F. [2] þriexe, F. [3] Ego Athelwold dux, B.
[4] S. conjectures Wimbledon, co. Surrey; but cf. Wibalditone, in Blitberie (Blewberry) Hundred, co. Berks., *Domesday Book*, f. 60b.

cuitu persistentium gubernator ⁊ rector primo anno imperii mei litteratoriis apicibus roboravi . Quia cum consensu heroicorum virorum tradidi cuidam comiti non solum mihi per omnia fideli subjectione obtemperanti verum etiam in omnibus meum velle subicienti ceu meis caris predecessoribus frequentativis manifestari solebat vocitato nomine ÆLFHERE modicam numinis mei partem id est . X . mansas perenniter impendo penes illum locum quo assertione multorum hominum profertur ita ÆT ƿILMAN LEHTTUNE ut terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus sue possideat vite . deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu predixi in eternam hereditatem . Maneat igitur meum hoc inmobile donum eterna libertate jocundum . cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . excepto communi labore expeditione pontis arcisve coedificatione .

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam cupiditatis livore depressi violari satagerint cum agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem eternum" ubi cum demonibus fereris[1] sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena Si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverit penitencia .

Mete de ƿilmanleh tune . Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur . Ðis sind þa land gemæra æt ƿilmanlehtune ærest æt cranmere ⁊ of þæn mære ⁊lang broces . ⁊ spa on þone þorn . ⁊ of þan þorne ⁊lang ðære stræte in on hore pyt of þan pytte on ðane blacan pyt þonan on langdune 'ende of langandun' spa to ðan hlæpe . of ðæn hlæpe to þære seali stræt ⁊ efter stræte to pilman forda . of pilman forde' on cyneferþes pyt þonan in þa hpitan dic . of ðære dic ⁊lang hricg peges ꝥ in cran meres broce ⁊lang broces in to cranmere .

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCC . LVI . indictione quarta decima .

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsin presul sigillum sancte crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus non renui .
✠ Ego Alfuuold episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi .

[1] *Sic*, MS., ferreis.

✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund Dux .
✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux .
✠ Ego Æþelsige Dux .
✠ Ego Æðeluuold Dux .
✠ Ego Ælfheah Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfred Minister .
✠ Ego Æþelmar Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfsige Minister .
✠ Ego Alfuuine Minister .
✠ Ego Uulfstan Minister .
✠ Ego Uulfgar Minister .
✠ Ego Eadric minister .

[A.] MS Cotton, Claudius B. vi. f. 55b.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i. p. 224.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. mccv ; from [A.]

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947. *Another form of the Boundaries of the land mentioned in No. 946.*

METE AD WILMANLECHTUN .

Ærest of cranmerc[1] . on þone ðorn . of ðam ðorne ⁊lang stræt on þoñ blacan pyt . of ðam blacan pytte on ða stræt . ⁊lang strete on stodfald . of ðam stodfalde on þone litlan broc . ⁊lang broces on blacan mere . of blacan mere on þæt slæd . ⁊lang slædes on blacan mor . of þam more on þet slæd . ⁊lang slædes ꝥ hit cymð on eardes treop . of þam treope on ða sealt stræt . ⁊lang þere salt strete on pilmanford . of pilmanforde on earnes hlepe . of earnes hlepe on Cyneuerðes pyt . of Cyneuerðes pitte ! ⁊lang heafdon on hƿitan dic . ⁊lang hƿitan dic on ða holan furh . of ðære holan furh ꝥ on þene hricƿeg . ⁊lang ƿeges on cheilhæma broc . ⁊lang broces ꝥ eft on cranmere .

MS. Cotton. Claudius C. ix, f. 200b.

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948. *Grant by King Eaduuig to the thegn Ælfheah, his relative, of land at Ellendune, or Elendune,[2] co. Wilts.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . XXX . HIDA BOC ÆT ELLANDUNE ÞE EADGI CING BOCODE ÆLFÆGE HIS MEGE ON ECE YRFE .

In nomine Dei et domini nostri Jhesu Christi veri redemptoris mundi . Anno vero dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCCLVI . Ego EADVVIG . omni creantis disponente clementia Angligenarumque omniumque gentium undique secus habitantium rex divina ductus amore . ab eodem Deo et domino nostro populis et tribubus preordinatus in regem anno imperii meo primo non inmemor fui quomodo et quam mirabiliter omnia supernus rector firme rationis serie gubernat atque custodit . Id circo cuidam meo fideli ministro

[1] *Sic*, MS.
[2] *Domesday Book*, f. 65b, col. 2.

ac propinquo quem non nulli vocitant noto vocamine . ÆLFHEAH . XXX . mansas perpetualiter concedo . illo in loco ubi prolatam antiquo usu nomen assertur[1] . ÆT . ELLENDUNE . Vt terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ . Deinceps namque sibi succedenti cui voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu predixi illi in æternam hereditatem . Maneat igitur meum hóc inmobile donum æterna libertate jocundum cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur . tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus . Campis . Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . excepto communi labore . expeditione . pontis . arcísvæ cóedificatione . Si qui denique michi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violari satagerint agminibus tetre caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . "Discedite á me maledicti in ignem æternum ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pæna" ! Si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint pænitentia . Predicta siquidem tellus . Istis terminis circumcincta clarescit[2].

Ðis synt þa land gé mære to Ellendune . Ærest óf þam æþenan byrgelse ⁊lang pegæs to cærscumbæ . þonon on mædena coua . óf mædæna coua on ðone hríc peg to ealhæræs byrgelse . þonon ⁊lang þære díc . to hafuc þornæ . of þam þornæ on ðone bradan stán . þonon on clæfrer mære . of þam mære . on hælnes þórn . of þam þorne on þone bróc . þonon to ðam ællen stybbæ . óf þam stybbæ on ðære ciricean heop pah . þonon on hrud pylle . of hrud pyllæ to hrysan beorge of ðam beorge to cealdan beórge of þam beorge ⁊lang peges to þam stáne . of þam stane æft to þam æþenan byrgelse .

Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis indeclinabiliter concessi atque roboravi .

Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater cum sigillo sanctæ crucis confirmavi .

Ego Odo Dorovernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis principatum et benivolentiam sub sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi .

Ego Ælfsíge Wintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testitudinem sanctæ crucis subscripsi et confirmavi .

Ego Cenpald episcopus consignavi .

Ego Oscytel episcopus subscripsi .

Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .

Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non rennui .

[1] Affertur, altered, MS. [2] Clauserit, altered as in text, MS.

Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus consensi.
Ego Alfƿold episcopus adquievi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
Ego Æþelstan dux.
Ego Eadmund dux.
Ego Ælfhere dux.
Ego Æþelmund dux.
Ego Æþelsige dux.
Ego Æþelƿold dux.
Ego Ælfsige dux.
Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æðelgearð minister.
Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfgar minister.
Ego Byrhtferd minister.
Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Ælfred minister.
Ego Ælfƿold minister.
Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfƿig minister.
Ego Eadric minister.
Ego Cynsige minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 93b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXIV; from [A.]

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949. *Grant by King Eaduuig to his relative Ælric, of land at Hannige, or Hanney, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDUUII DE HANNIXE.

In nomine Dei patris ⁊ filii ⁊ spiritus sancti Amen.

Adam Dei omnipotens[1] nutu protogenes ex informi materia creatus. in Edenque precepto trine simplicitatis custodito feliciter collocatus. sine alicujus elementi perturbatione vivens culpa etiam prævaricationis inventa exinde actutum[2] expulsus in has diversas orbis plagas cum ergastuli erumpna. usque ad termini sui calcem. sicuti modo in suis postgenitis apparet. vitem miserabiliter finiens mortem minatam pertulit ac deinde per diversa quinque zonarum liniamenta ejusdem predicti protogenis ampla innumerabilique pullulante prosapia non solum patriarchas ⁊ prophetas verum etiam ⁊ reges cum ceteris diversi ordinis condicionibus. idem crimen eademque pena quasi per debitum prime prevaricationis ad operandam extunc naturaliter iniquitatem omnes jure constrinxerat. nisi dominus noster Jhesus Christus Dei filius idemque hominis his misericorditer spem immortalitatis attribuens. ⁊ vitam post mortem promittens felicem. tandem subveniret; Ceterum soli philosofi vereque sapientie dediti. ⁊ maxime religiosissimi viri condolendo mirantur intenti perdita Paradisi amena. quod ex tempore liberi patris coetanei Noe fabri-

[1] Thei Omnipotetia, S. [2] Actu tum, S.

catoris arce . ac Theolis[1] Polinicisque principum Thebarum munitissime tutarum centum portis propter istius telluris lubricam divisionem cronice seditiones insidie latibula . bella . inter homines minime cessaverint usque ad hoc spacium vite .

Quapropter ego EADUUIG largiflua summi tonantis providentia rex Anglorum ⁊ cunctigerarum Albionis populorum . toto mentis nisu meos proceres fidissimos ad Dei omnipotentis voluntatem prout michi potissimum est . ⁊ eo amplius ut mei precessores devotissimi fecisse comprobantur revocans . Quicquic vero tepi[di]us vel negligentius quacumque ex causa eos compertus fuero emendare studens adoptivo parenti meo nomine ÆLRICO . XX . telluris mansas in loco qui Anglico vocitatur more . HANNIGE . perpetualiter largitus sum animo coram idoneis testibus atque dignis proceribus pro sua potius satisfactione quam crucis amore cujus quamlibet michi . LX . dedisset mancusas .

Atqui nu[n]c hoc signaculo donum crucis Christi corroboro quatenus cuicumque voluerit se vivente heredi seu vite post sue discessionem perenniter tribuat . cum omnibus sibi pertinentibus . id est . campis . pratis . pascuis . piscationibus . ceterisve tali videlicet tenore ut preter expeditionem pontisque necnon ⁊ arcis constructionem prædicta sit tellus ab omni fisco regali libera .

Si quis autem quod absit nostram frangere conatus fuerit donationem sciat se anatematizatum ante tribunal domini nostri Jhesu Christi nisi digna ante ejus obitum penitudine deterserit .

Hujus scilicet arvi carta anno dominice incarnationis DCCCC° . LVI° . indiccione XIIII$_a$. conscripta est .

Mete de Hannige.[2] Ðis[3] sind þa land gemæra þara . XX . hida æt hannige þe Eaduuig cing ge bocede . Ælrice . his mæge on ece yrue . Ærest of þes[4] cinges ge . mære[5] on panotinge[6] broc andlang streames ꝥ hyt[7] cymð ut on cyllan Rið . ꝥ þonne andlang Riðe ꝥ hyt[7] cymð ut on eoccene[8] ꝥæt ⁊lang eoccene ꝥ hit cymð to pulfineres[9] mylne ꝥæt þoñ[10] suð on þone ealdan broc ⁊lang broces ꝥ hyt[7] cymð to snoddan fleote . of þan[11] fleote to þan[12] bradan her paðe[13]. ⁊lang her paðes[14] þæt hit cymð eft to þes[4] cinges ge mære[15].

✠ Ego Eaduuig divina alubescente gratia tocius Albionis rex hoc donum agie crucis taumate Roboravi .

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus signum crucis impressi .

[1] ? Eteoclis. [2] "Termini de Hannige ita disterminantur," rubric in B.; discriminantur, S. [3] Ðis ... yrue, omitted, B. [4] ðæs, B. [5] Gem., B. [6] panont, B. [7] Hit, B. [8] -nne, B. [9] -mæres, B. [10] þonon, B. [11] þæm, B. [12] þam, B. [13] Hærpaðæ, B. [14] Hærpaðas, B. [15] Gemæres, B.

✠ Ego Eadgar clito ejusdem regis adelfus roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Uulfsige presul consensi.
✠ Ego Cynsige episcopus antistes roboravi.
✠ Ego Cœnepold pontifex hoc idem confirmavi.
✠ Ego Oscytel consentiens roboravi.
✠ Ego Osulf præsul hoc idem confirmavi.
✠ Ego Aðulf episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Daniel jubente rege hanc singrapham dictavi.
✠ Ego Dunstan abbas consensi.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux cum ceteris suffraganeis hoc donum roboravi.
✠ Ego Æthelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfhere comes.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Byrhferð dux.
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Ælfheah discifer.
✠ Ego Ælfsige discifer.
✠ Ego Ælfsige discifer.
✠ Ego Eadric hoc Deo corroborante meo fratri affirmo.
✠ Ego Osperd minister.
✠ Ego Leouuine minister.
✠ Ego Eadmund minister.
✠ Ego Æþelmær minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgerd minister.
✠ Ego Osuuig minister.
✠ Ego Æþeluuld[1] minister.
✠ Ego Ælfuuine minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 51.
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 197. Boundaries only.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCVI; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 201.

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950. *Another form of the preceding Document.*

CARTA REGIS EDWII. DE. XX. CASSATIS.

Adam Dei omnipotentis (etc., *as in No.* 949) .... exinde pariter expulsus .... innumerabique[1] pul'l'ulante prosapie .... in patr'i'-archis ⁊ prophetis. verum etiam et in regibus .... hominis filius his misericorditer spe .... arce. ac Theol' Polinicisque principum Tebe munitissime centum portis .... cunctigenarum .... mentis ⁊ nisu .... voluntatem revocare curabo prout potissimum ⁊ eo amplius mei devotissimi prædecessores fecisse comprobantur. Quicquid vero tepius .... eos egisse compertus fuero emendare studebo. Qua de re ob amorem vere sapientie meo adoptativo parenti vocabulo ÆLRICO. XX. mansas libenti animo concedo. pro

[1] Sic, MS.

sua satisfaccione chrisinque[1] amando . LXta. ipse mihi concedente coram testibus et idoneis proceribus me illum diligendo hoc præfatum rus signaculo crucis Christi corroboro . Quatenus cuicumque heredi se vivendo tribuat viteque post sue discessionem ab hujus caducitate mundi donum ipsius firmiter in eternum permaneat . Cum omnibus rebus pertinentibus id est . . . . piscationibus preter expeditionem pontiumve necnon ⁊ arcium prædicta terra sit ab omni fisci regali libera .

Si quis quod absit nostram donationem frangere conatus fuerit sciat se anatematum esse . . . . Christi . hac vero conditione interposita præfata terra in vita sua bene perfruatur . et cuicumque heredi voluerit derelinquat .

Annis namque dominice nativitatis transactis . DCCCC . LVI . Indiccione . XIIII[a]. hic codicellus conscriptus est .

Mete. Her sint þa land gemæro . to hannige ðara . XX . hyda ærest of þæs cinges gemære on panotinge broc ⁊lang streames ꝥ hyt cymð ut on cyllan rið ꝥ ðon and lang riðe ꝥ hyt cymð ut on ecene[2] ðæt ⁊lang eoccene ꝥ hyt cymð to Uulfhares mylne þæt þonne suð on ðone ealdan broc ⁊lang broces þæt hyt cymð to snoddan fleote . of þan fleote to þan bradan herpaðe andlang herpades þæt hyt cymð eft to ðæs cinges gemære .

✠ Ego Eaduuig . . . . taumate tripudians Roboravi .
✠ Ego (*etc., to end of list as in preceding charter*).

Hec mea suffragatio in eodem loco qui vocatur á coligenis Hannige coram meis obtimatibus concedo ⁊ perpetualiter me volente maneat in Christo .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 89.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 197. Boundaries only. For various readings, see No. 949.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCVII; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 230.

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951. *Grant by King Eadwig to his homo Mæglsothen, of land at Mortune, or Morcton, co. Stafford.* A.D. 956.

CARTA EADPIG REGIS DE MORTUNE . DCCCC . LVI .

☧ In nomine Domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Anno vero dominice incarnacionis . DCCCC . LVI° . Indictione XIIII . Ego EADPIG rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium

[1] For χρυσὸν-que ; the corresponding words in the previous form of this charter are crucisque, which is, of course, an error of the scribe. [2] Ecene, with the e expuncted, A.

gubernator ⁊ rector . Audivi a sapientibus ⁊ prudentibus hanc mellitam dulcedinem sermocinacionis divine . quod bona voluntas in die examinacionis pro bono opere reputabitur . Idcirco dedi cuidam meo homini vocitato nomine MÆGLSOÞEN[1] tres mansas ei libenter largiendo donavi . In illo loco ubi ruricole antiquo usu nomen indiderunt . ÆT MORTUNE . Eatenus ut hoc diebus suis possideat . tramitibus vite sue . ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquatur in eternam hereditatem . Sit hec predicta terra cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus libera . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . excepto istis tribus . Expedicioné . pontis arcisve coedificacione . Si quis vero minuerit hanc donationem ⁝ sciat se reum omni hora vite sue . ⁊ tenebrosum in Tartarum succedere.

Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur . ⁊c .

✠ Ego Eadƿig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte Crucis ✠ roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsing presul sigillum agye crucis ✠ inpressi .
✠ Ego Cenƿald episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi . Et ceteri Duces et ministri . IX.

[A.] Mr. Wynne's MS. at Peniarth 150, p. 251.

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952. *Grant by King Eadwig to the noble Lady Æthelhild, of lands at Iplanpen, or Ipplepen, Abbots' Kerswell, etc., co. Devon.* A.D. 956.

THIS IS SEO BOC TO IPLANPENNE ⁊ TO DODDINGTUNE ⁊ TO CÆRSWYLLE THE EADWIC KYNING GEBOCODE ÆTHELHILDE ON ECE YRFE .

Ꝥ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Igitur apostolicis dictis nos congrue parere oportet . qua in epistola nos pie monet . ut inquit ipse suprema voce " amet[2] proximum qui diligit Deum" . et hoc itaque ab utriusque sexu propagatum esse perhibetur .

Propter quod Ego EADWIG gentis Anglorum cæterarumque per gyrum nationum basileus cuidam nobili fœminæ vocitatæ nomine ÆTHELHILD . XV . mensis[3] et dimidium duobus in locis illic ubi vulgariter dicitur IPLANPEN ⁊ æt DODDINTUNE ⁊ æt CÆRSWYLLE

[1] *Or* -ƿen. The MS. confuses ƿ and þ. [2] 1 Joh. iv, 21. [3] *Sic*, H. ; mansas?

perpetualiter concedo . amodo cum securitate nostrum donum vita comite sibi usurpet . Se obeunte cuicumque voluerit in carisma perenne impertiat cum campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Hæc tellus a cuncto sit immunis servitio nisi pontis et arcis et expeditionis juvamine .

Si quis vero minuerit hanc meam donationem sciat se reum omni hora vitæ suæ et tenebrosum Tartarum[1] non evadere.

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus . Thys synd tha land gemæra to Ipelanpænne ⁊ to Doddingtune ⁊ to Cærswylle . Of Mæscumbe on land score an Horsa tor thonon on streame oth Eoth of eoth on pen . of pænne on riht land score on lytlan tor thonon on land score to Langandene . thonon un[2] land score to thære linde . of thære linde to tham beorge . thonon to Oddingtorre on landscore to mædercumbe ⁊ Cærswellan landscore on tha lace of thære lace on Switheredes stan . thonon on herepath to woggan wylle . thonon on herpath on tha rode . of thære rode on herpath oth tha laca . thonne up be streame on mædercumbe on tha wic the tharto hyrth . ⁊ æt Bitelanwyrthe an hiwisce . ⁊ æt Bromleage an hiwisce .

Acta est autem hæc donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCCLVI . Indictione . XIIII .

✠ Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsinus præsul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Cenwold episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Byrhthelm episcopus conclusi .

✠ Ego Æthelstan dux .	✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .	✠ Ego Wulfric minister .
✠ Ego Byrhtwerth dux .	✠ Ego Ætheleard minister .
✠ Ego Athelmund dux .	✠ Ego Ælfheah minister .
✠ Ego Ælfere dux .	✠ Ego Ælfgar minister .
✠ Ego Æthelsige dux .	✠ Ego Byrhtferh minister .

[H.] Transcript among Sir Thos. D. Hardy's MSS. in Record Office; from [A.] *Registr. Scirburn.* (Sir Thos. Phillipps' Library), f. 28.

[1] See No. 902.

[2] *Sic*, H.

953. *Grant by King Eadwig to the noble lady Æðelhild, of land in Droccnesford, or Droxford, co. Hants.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . XX . HIDA BOC ÆT DROCENESFORDA ÞÆ EA'D'GI CI'N'G BOCODE ÆDELHIL'D'Æ ON ECE YRFÆ .

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Igitur apostolicis dictis nos congrue parere oportet qua in epistola nos pie monet ut inquit ipse supprema voce "amet[1] proximum qui diligit Deum" et hoc itaque ab utriusque sexu propagatum esse perhibetur . Propter quod ego EADƿIG . gentis Anglorum cæterarumque per gyrum nationum basileus cuidam nobili feminæ vocitatæ nominæ[2] ÆDELHILD . XX . mansas . in loco qui dicitur . DROKENESFORD . perpetualiter concedo amodo cum securitate nostrum donum vita comite sibi usurpet se obeunte cuicumque voluerit in carisma perhenne impertiat . Cum campis . Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . hæc tellus á cuncto sit inmunis servitu[2] nisi pontis et arcis . et expeditionis juvamine .

Si quis vero minuerit hanc donationem ! Sciat se reum omni hora vitæ suæ et tenebrosum Tartarum non evadere .

Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Þis syndon þa land ge mæro to Drocenesforda . Ærest óf Drocenesforda to biene stede . of biene stedæ to scida[2] felda . þanón utt to langan leagæ middæ pærdræ . þanon upp to þære stigælæ . þanon utt to pulf pyttun . þanon utt on MEONE .

Hæc ista mea donatio data est . Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi .' DCCCCLVI . Indictione . XIIII .

Ego Eadƿig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi .
Ego Ælfsinus Presul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi .
Ego Cenpold episcopus cum signo sanctæ crucis consignavi .

Ego Cenpold episcopus .	Ego Ælfhere Dux .
Ego Oscytel episcopus .	Ego Æðelsige Dux .
Ego Osulf episcopus .	Ego Ælfsige minister .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus .	Ego Ƿulfric minister .
Ego Æþelstan Dux .	Ego Æðelhearð minister .
Ego Eadmund Dux .	Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Æðelstan Dux .	Ego Ælfgar minister .
Ego Byrhtferð Dux .	Ego Byrhtferð minister .
Ego Æðelmund Dux .	Ego Ælfheah minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 102. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXXXI ; from [A.]

[1] 1 Joh. iv, 21. [2] Sic, MS.

954. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Æðelnoð, of land at Deorlaucstun,[1] or Darlaston, on the R. Trent, co. Stafford.* A.D. 956.

CARTA EADPIG REGIS DE DERLAUESTON . DCCCC . LVI . INDICTIONE . XIIII .

☧ In nomine Domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Omnibus quibus Christianitatis censuram a Dei arcipotentis poli per suam largifluam misericordiam concessum est quod hujus instantis labentisque vite prosperitas totis nisibus restaurare perditos ac nefandos per illius auxilium possumus . Ceu psalmigraphus ita fando dixit . "Initium[2] sapientie timor Domini". Quapropter ego EADPIG rex Anglorum ac tocius Brittannice telluris gubernator et rector cuidam meo fideli ministro quem nonnulli vocitant noto vocamine ÆDELNODE aliquam partem terre in loco qui dicitur DEORLAUESTUN . ut habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat . ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . sine expedicione . ⁊ pontis arcisve instructione .

Si quis hoc infringere temptaverit quod absit ! Sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo ⁊ angelis ejus nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Þis synd þa land gemæra to Derlauestoue . Erst hit feh'ð on trentan þær fulan broc scyet on Trentan . þonne and lang broces on gean stream on fulan ford . of ðæm forde on braden ford . of bradan forda ; pest and lang stræte on hpæte croft . of ðem crofte on grenan hylle . of ðære hylle ! and lang slædes . ꝥ hit cymð on þæ stræte . to þam ðrym land gemæren . þonne and lan peges on ðære dic ende . of ðære dic on gerithna to sceortan stane . of ðæm stane on ðone pylle . of þæm pylle ; on færdene . of ðære dene þæt eft on trentan .

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice Incarnacionis . DCCCC . LVI . Indictione . XIIII .

✠ Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar Regis frater . ⁊c̃ . ut supra .

Mr. Wynne's MS. at Peniarth 150, p. 352.

[1] See *Domesday Book*, f. 247*b*. [2] Psal. cx, 10.

955. *Grant by King Eaduuig to Eadric, of land at Pyrian ford, Pyrford, or Pirford, on the River Wey, co. Surrey.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EADWII DE PIRIANFORD.

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. Summo almc ⁊ individue trinitatis fatimine egregius agonista sancte predicationis hortatur talem protulit sententiam dicens "omnia[1] nuda sunt ⁊ aperta coram oculos domini" ⁊ a luce prima usque conticinium uniuscujusque actus prospicit. Ideo ego. EADUUIG. uni meorum carorum quem cordetenus diligo nomine. EADRICO. aliquam terre portionem secundum estimationem. XVI. cassatorum illic quo anglico vocabulo profertur. ÆT PYRIANFORDA quamdiu hic corpus animatum habere videbitur nostri doni privilegium sibi vendicet ⁊ postero denique suo quemcumque elegerit perenniter impertiat. cum omnibus que sibi jure pertinent. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Sit vero hec terra ab omni seculari negotio libera excepta expeditione ⁊ pontis ac arcis construccione.

Si quis vere tirannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti cirographum sciat se coram Christo ⁊ angelis ejus tremendo examine rationem redditurum. nisi hic prius emendare satagerit.

Metc. Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur. Ðis sind þa land ge mearo to Pyrianforda. Ærest of pyrianforda ⁊lang pegan on fisces burnan. ⁊lang burnan on þone mearc hagan up be hagan oþ þa gedela pest on gerihta to snapes mere puestepearden þonne on þone ho forepeardne þonne on gerihta ofer ufandune þonne on þone gyrd peg ⁊lang peges on þone meac[2] hagan. up be hagan on peorþe hege 'forð be þan hege' on peorþ apeldre þonne on per leage þonne suþ to efes on þone caldan hrunan[3] þæt to hagan op be hagan to eceles hamme þonne a be hagan to mylen felda þonne a be hagan to mint felda þonon on gerihta on mint byrge þær to burnan ⁊ lang burnan on þa flex paran on þone hagan þonon ut on þone felde ꝥ ut to mil gemete þonon þa ferh þe forpearde þonon to þære tpicene ⁊lang tpicene on peahhes fen þonou ut on pegan ⁊lang pegan on pyrianford ⁊ si ꝥ puda hyrþsum[4] into pyrianforda.

Acta est hec prefata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini. DCCCC. LVI. indictione. XIIII.

Testes. ✠ Ego Eaduui Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.

[1] Heb. iv, 13. [2] *Sic*, MS. [3] *Or* hriman, MS.; hruman, K. S.
[4] Sið wuda hyrð sum, K.; sithwuda hyrth sum, S.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi.
✠ Ego Cenuuald episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Oscutel episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Auulf[1] episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux.
✠ Ego Byrhtferþ Dux.
✠ Ælfhere Dux.
✠ Ego[2] Eadgar ejusdem regis frater concessi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul signum agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfric Minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard Minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah Minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige Minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtferþ Minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar Minister.
✠ Ego Æþeluuold Minister.
✠ Ego Uulfgar Minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 55.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCIII; from [A.]
[S.] Chron. *Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 222.

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956. *Grant by King Eadwi to his vassal Wiferð, of land at Cnugel,[3] or Knoyle, co. Wilts. About* A.D. 956.

In nomine patris et filii et Spiritus Sancti Amen;

Aetheriarum presentiumque productor ex nichilo rerum ante omne tempus condidit Deus angelicam videlicet creaturam et informem materiam. qua ignis aqua terra aer. prima elimenta astiterunt. ex quibus omnia que videntur esse sumpserunt insuper genus humanum. Sed dum variatis ordinibus sicut modo apparet in posteris alii principes alii subditi concrescentes majores minores condonaverunt.

Ego igitur EADƿI. rex totius Albionis. x. mansas quod CNUGEL vocitatur meo fideli vassallo. nomine. ƿIFERÐ. In hereditatem perpetuam libenter concedo. Et cuicumque voluerit dare post obitum liberalem habeat potestatem.

Þis sint þa land gemæro þa. x. hida to Cnugel. In þæs cumbes heafde to þas cingis[4] gemære ƿest ofer þone cnol to þæn seoh tore to þru broce of þruce[5] on ƿulfa broc. þonan on ƿelinga ham. þonan

[1] *Sic*, MS. [2] This signature and the following are out of order, they should stand second and fourth in the proper sequence.
[3] See No. 870. [4] -ges, K. [5] þrubroce, K.

on ꝥinterburnan . þanon on nunnena dene on þes hlinces heafod . þanon to sahl beorge . þær of dune andlanges shlades up andlang dene up to gosa beorge ⁊ so to eadan dic . andlang eadan dic to þas cumbes heafode ;

Ego Eadꝥi . rex . tocius Albionis hoc donum signo sancte crucis roboravi .
Ego Odo archiepiscopus inpressi .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
Ego Ꝥulfsige episcopus adquievi .
Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi .
Ego Daniel episcopus rege jubente conscripsi .
Ego Eadgar clito roboravi .
Ego Æþelstan dux testis .
Ego Acdelsige dux testis .
Ego Eadmund dux testis .
Ego Ælfsige Minister testis .

Quisquis igitur hoc donum conservare voluerit custodiat Deus illum hic et in futuro . Si quis vero quod absit violare temptaverit dies ejus non dimidiaverit et penam sentiat sempiternam Amen ;

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 3.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLXII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 461.

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957. *Grant by King Eadwig to Ælfswyda, of land at Corsatune, or Corston, on the R. Avon, near Bath, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956.

DE . X . HIDIS CORSTUNÆ .

In nomine Patris et filii et spiritus sancti . Cum ob recordationem evi labentis memorandi litteræ inventæ dinoscuntur . visum est regibus sua dona præcipue prædia tyronibus accommodata grammate prænotari . ut postgenitis luceat dignitas merita singulorum .

Quapropter ego EADWIG rex Anglorum cuidam fideli feminæ nomine ÆLFSWYDÆ decem mansas ubi dicitur ÆT CORSATUNE . in jus hereditarium concedo . cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus ad possidendum et ad dandum . perheuniter solutum omni jugo regali præter expeditionem pontis et arcis munimen . Etenim liquet neminem licére amovere hoc donum . nisi anathema fieri pro minimo ducat .

Peractum est hoc anno Dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC . LVI . Imperii vero mei primo anno .

Divisiones. Ꝥis[1] is þara . X . hida land gemære æt Corsatune .

[1] *Cf.* the boundaries in No. 767.

Ærest of Afene up and lang corsan on ecles cumb suðepeardne ðat pest be pealle . eft syð be pelle þær up ofer feld on ða riht land gemære on þone sidlingpeg to puda . of puda be ecge on þa ðreo land gemære . þanon norð to pege on gerihte on pinundes stan . of þam stane norð andlang peges þær est of þam pege on gerihte to brynes cumb suðpeardne . a norð be ecge . of ecge east on stanpell broc . and lang broces eft on Afene .

Ego Eadpig rex Albionis hoc donum per triumphum sanctæ ✠ impressi .
Ego Eadgar indoles clito consensi . ✠ .
Ego Oda archiepiscopus corroboravi . ✠ .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus confirmavi . ✠ .
Ego Oscytel episcopus adquievi . ✠ .
Ego Osulf episcopus dictavi . ✠ .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus annui . ✠ .
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi . ✠ .

Ælfgar dux . ✠ .	Æþelstan dux . ✠ .
Ælfhere dux . ✠ .	Æþelstan dux . ✠ .
Eadmund dux . ✠ .	Æþelmund dux . ✠ .
Æðelpold dux . ✠ .	Byrhtferð minister . ✠ .
Æþelmer minister . ✠ .	Ælfred minister .
Ælfric minister . ✠ .	Pulfgar minister .
Ælfpine minister .	Æþelgeard minister .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, p. 70. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLVII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 448.

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958. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Ælfred, of land at Dydylingtune and Uddinge, or Didlington and Uddens, near Wimborne, now farms*[1] *in the Parish of Chalbury, co. Dorset.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS HIS ÞARA . V . HIDA BOC ÆT DYDYLINGETUNE AND ÞAS ANES HIPISCES ÆT UDDINGC ÞE EADPIG CING GEBOCODE ÆLFREDE HIS ÞEINE ON ECHE YRFE .

In nomine sancte et individue trinitatis cui omne genu flectitur celestium terrestrium et infernorum . Ego EADPIG . totius Albionis insule primo anno imperii mei qui est annus sacrosancte incarnationis domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC LVI : Indictione . XIIII . Cuidam meorum optimatum vocamine ÆLFREDO . Pro sua humilitate et fideli obedientia aliquam terre partem duobus in

[1] See Hutchins, *Dorsetshire*, ii. 476.

locis concedo . Id est . v . mansas ubi vulgariter dicitur . ÆT DYDYLINGTUNE . Et unam mansam ubi vocitatur . ÆT UDDINGC - Quatenus firmiter in domino possideat tramite vite sue . cum omnibus que sibi pertinere asseruntur . Tam campis . pratis . Silvis . quam pascuis uberrimis . Et sit sibi in sempiternam hereditatem possidendi et habendi et post obitum suum donandi et derelinquendi cuicumque heredi voluerit . Sit vero hec terra ab omni seculari negotio libera excepta expeditione et pontis ac arcis constructione .

Si quis vere tyrannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti cyrographum Sciat se coram Christo et angelis ejus in tremendo examine rationem redditurum . nisi hic prius emendare satagerit . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus -

Þis[1] sint þare . v . hida land gemære to dydylingtune ⁊ þas syxtan æt udding þe þær to gebyreð . Ærest on roddan pol niþopeardne . ⁊ of roddan pole on þane langan hlinc . ⁊ of þan langan hlince on fugelan pæþ . from fugelan paþe on þa tpegen æcras[2] þær boddinge peg ut gæð . ⁊ from bodding pege ofer þane redan peg . ⁊ of þam readan pege on lindune estapearde þær to þam ealdan pege . ⁊ spa andlang peges to mearc broces heafde . from mearc broces heafde . and lang peges in an cheoles byrig east gete . ⁊ of þam est gete eft ut æt þam pest geate . ⁊ of þam pest geate on dydeling dune middepearde . ⁊ of dydeling dune on þa haran apuldran . ⁊ of þære haran apuldran þære adune innan pinburnan oð midne stream . ⁊ spa and lang streames oþ roddan pol . ⁊ at crapan forda synd . VI . mæd æcras þe þær to gebyriað ⁊ on ige tpegen .

⁊ þis sint þæs hypisces land gemære æt udding . Ærest on cucan dene . ⁊ of cucan dune on cran mor middepeardne . ⁊ of cran more on þæne heal . ⁊ of þam heale on þa fulan lake . ⁊ of þare fulen lake on secg broc . ⁊ up þanan and lang brokes oþ þa brydenan bricgge . ⁊ of þáre brycgge and lang peges on ham poldes þorn . ⁊ of ham poldes þorne on cucan . ⁊ on ige . II . mæd æcres þær to .

Consentientibus et confirmacentibus[2] episcopis et proceribus quorum nomina infra adscripta sunt hec cartula scripta est .

Ego Eadpig gratia Dei totius Britannice telluris rex meum donum proprio sigillo confirmavi .

Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .

Ego Odo Dorovernsis[2] ecclesie archipresul alme crucis signo roboravi .

Ego Ælfsinus Wintaniensis ecclesie divinus proprium sigillum impressi .

[1] *Cf.* the boundaries in No. 818. [2] *Sic*, MS.

Ego Oscytel placabili mente consensi.
Ego Osulfus non rennui.
Ego Byrhtelm adquievi.
Ego Æþulf conclusi.
Aeþelstan dux.
Eadmund dux.
Aeþelstan dux.
Aeþelsige dux.
Aelfsie dux.
Wulfric miles.
Aeþelgeard miles.
Aelfhere miles.
Aelfheah miles.
Aelfric miles.
Aelfgar miles.
Byrhtferþ miles.
Aelfsige miles.
Aþelpold miles.
Wulfgar miles.
Cynesige miles.

[A.] Brit. Mus., Harl. MS. 436, f. 33.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccliv; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 444.

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959. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Aðelwold, of land at Bleodune, or Bleadon, on the River Axe, near Axbridge, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞÆRÆ . XV . HIDA LAND BOC ÆT BLEODUNE.

In nomine sanctæ et individuæ trinitatis. Ego EADÞIG Angul Saxonum rex egregius. cæterarumque plebium hinc inde manentium crebro etenim decrevi rimari quod ea quæ videntur caduca sunt. et quæ non videntur perpetualiter manentia. qua de re cuidam[1]. meo fideli ministro uni vocabulo. ADELÞOLD. perpetualiter concedo quandam partem terræ hoc est . XV . cassatis in loco qui dicitur ÆT BLEODONE. quatinus ut ipse vita comite possideat. et postea cuicunque heredi voluerit derelinquat in genere suo in perpetuam possessionem. cum campis. pascuis. pratis. Silvis. prefatum rus careat servitio omni preter expedicionem pontis et arcis munimen. Sit autem predictum rus ita firmatum. ut si quis studuerit in aliud transferre quam situm est anathematizetur á supernalibus civibus cælestium turmarum. Sitque consortio constrictus Judæ in barathri profundo æternaliter cruciandus.

Ðis syndon þa land ge mæro to Bleodunæ. Ærest on pel pill. of pel pyllæ on smalan hlinc. of smalan hlincæ on pel pæg nyþæperdnæ. of pell pæge on æsc pyllæ. of æsc pyllæ on þa caldan med dic. of þære dic on færsc mærus pest snocan. of þam snocan on fulan mære east peardne. of þam mære on stod fald. of þam faldæ on þa caldan lanan nyþe pearde. of þære lanan on sugga denescumb. of þam cumbæ on cyric stæde. of þam stæde on trindel lea. of þam lea on prostlan pyl. of þam pyllæ on genes-

[1] Quodam, altered to cuidam, MS.

þorn . of þam þorne on þa pærhroda . of þam rodun on loxan puda pyrtruman . of pyrtruman on þiccan stanas . of þam stanun on scypeladæs pyllæ . of þam pyllæ on mer pyll . of þam pyllæ on axan mid stream . spa and lang streames eft on pell pyll[1].

Anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCCLVI . Scripta est cartula . His testibus consentientibus quorum inferius nomina caraxantur .

Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis germanus consensi .
Ego Oda Dorobernensis æcclesiæ archiepiscopus corroboravi .
Ego Ælfsinus Presul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi .
Ego Byrhtelm Episcopus sigillum cum signo sanctæ crucis non rennui .

Ego Alfpold episcopus .
Ego Cenpald episcopus .
Ego Oscytel episcopus .
Ego Osulf episcopus .
Ego Pulfsige episcopus .
Ego Aðulf episcopus .
Ego Æþelstan Dux .
Ego Eadmund Dux .
Ego Æþelstan Dux .
Ego Byrhtfert Dux .
Ego Ælfhære Dux .

Ego Æðelmund Dux .
Ego Æðelsige Dux .
Ego Ælfsige minister .
Ego Pulfric minister .
Ego Æþelgeard minister .
Ego Leofric minister .
Ego Pulfric minister .
Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Æþeræd minister .
Ego Ælfgar minister .
Ego Byrhferð minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 107b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXXII; from [A.]

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960. *Grant by King Eadwich to the thegn Ælfwold, of land at Withiclea, or Widley, co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA FEOPER HYDA BOC ÆT PIÞIGLEA ÞE EADPIG CYNG GÆBOCODE ÆLFPOLDÆ HIS ÞEGNÆ ON ECE YRFÆ.

In nomine summi tonantis omnia quecumque secundum ecclesiasticam normam justo moderamine decernuntur quia incertus hujus labentis vite status evidenter agnoscitur litter[ar]um apicibus saltim pro ampliore firmitate roborantur .

Quamobrem Ego EADPICH . Anglorum ac tocius Bryttannicæ telluris gubernator et rector . cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato vocabulo . ÆLFPOLD . aliquam portionem terræ perhenniter devota mente concedo . id est . IIII . mansas in illo loco ubi ruricole antiquo usu nomen indiderunt . ÆT PIÞICLEA . amodo cum securi-

[1] The sentence is thus written and marked for transposition in MS.: of þam pyllæ, "b on axan m. s. a. l. s., "a on mer p. o þ. p., "c eft on p. p.

tate nostrum donum vita comite sibi userpet . se obeunte cuicumque voluerit in incarisma[1] perenne impertiat . cum campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Sit vero hæc terra ab omni seculari negotio libera . excepta expeditione . et pontis ac arcis constructione . Si quis autem infringere temptaverit . quod absit . sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Đis synd þa land ge mere to Ƿiþiglea Ærest of lulles beorge ⁊lang burnan to cynulfes[2] treope þonon suþ on þerpaþ[3] to megstanes dene þonon on Ƿiþigleageat of þam geate to seg broce þonon on ucing cumb þonon ⁊lang peges to pyddan beorge þonon on piþig sled ⁊lang sledes on gericte to þam smalan pege ⁊lang peges on gerihte to brocenan beorge þonon eft on lulles beorge .

Acta est hæc prefata donatio . Anno ab incarnatione domini . DCCCC LVI . indictione . XIIII .

Ego Eadpig . rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
Ego Odo archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi .
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi .
Ego Cenpald episcopus consignavi .
Ego Oscytel episcopus subscripsi .
Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi .
Ego Ƿulsige episcopus non rennui .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus conclusi .
Ego Æþelstan dux .

Ego Eadmund dux .	Ego Æþelgeard minister .
Ego Eþelstan dux .	Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Ælfhere dux .	Ego Ælfsige minister .
Ego Eþelsige dux .	Ego Ælfric minister .
Ego Ælfsige minister .	Ego Ælfpig minister .
Ego Ƿulfric minister .	Ego Ƿulfric minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 72b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXVI ; from [A.]

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961. *Grant by King Eadwig to Eadmund, of land at Anningadune, or Annington, between Bramber, Coombes, and Sompting, on the R. Adur, co. Sussex.* A.D. 956.

P̶ ✠ In sanctæ et individuæ trinitatis vocamine . EGO EADPIG . egregius Angul Saxonum basileus cæterarumque plebium hinc inde

[1] In carisma, K.; iniuc., MS. [2] Tocy nulfes, MS. [3] þerpaþ, MS ; ðerpað, K.; ? herpaþ.

habitantium crebro quidem coepi[1] rimari quod ea quæ videntur temporalia ac caduca sunt et quæ non videntur æternaliter mansura. Idcirco cuidam meorum optimatum cui nomen insitum est. EADMUNDO. XVI. cassatos perenniter impendo penes illum locum quo assertione multorum hominum profertur ita. ÆT ANNINGA DUNE. dum vero vitale spiramen suum foverit corpus animo jocunda nostra dapsili deditione perfruatur decurso scilicet suæ curriculo vitæ heredi cui[2] voluerit impendat in perpetuum karisma[3]. cum campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Hæc tellus a cuncto sit inmunis servitu nisi pontis et arcis expeditionis juvamine.

Augens fruatur domino.
minuens ipse zabulo.

Istis[4] terminis circumgyrata assertur ante scilicet supradicta terra.

Þis sint[5] þa land ge mæro[6] to anninga d[u]ne ærest on þa deopan riþe be eastan bremre spa pest ofer bremre to cumb hæma ge mæro spa be cumb hæma ge mæra to den tunninga ge mære of den tunninga ge mære spa to suntinga ge mære spa be suntinga ge mære to bidelinga ge mære spa þ[an]ne[7] forþ east be bidelinga ge mære oþ eft u[t on][8] bremre. Þis[9] sint þa den stopa broc hyrst ⁊ beaddan syla ⁊ æt fyrnþan ⁊ hliþ pic ⁊ strod pic.

Hæc[10] carta scripta est. anno dominicæ incarnationis DCCCCLVI. indictione. XIIII.

✠ Ego Eadpig gratia Dei totius Brittannicæ[11] telluris rex meum donum proprio sigillo confirmavi.
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater cæleriter consensi.
✠ Ego Oda Dorovernensis æcclesiæ archipresul almæ crucis ✠ signo roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus Uuintaniensis[12] æcclesiæ divinus speculator proprium sigillum impressi.
✠ Ego Oscytel placabili mente consensi.
✠ Ego Osulfus non renuui.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm adquievi.
✠ Ego Aþulf[13] conclusi.
✠ [14]Æþelstan dux.
✠ Byrhtferþ dux.
✠ Æþelstan dux.
✠ Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Pulfric minister.

[1] Cepi, B. [2] Cuicumque, B. [3] Car., B. [4] Mete, added, B. [5] Des sind, B. [6] Gemaro, B. [7] þ[on]ne, F.; þonne, K.; þanne, B. [8] A. is defective here; the part in brackets from B.; uþ eft [eastan], K.; oþer to ..., F. [9] This sentence omitted, K. [10] From this point the original charter appears to be palimpsest, S. [11] Britt., B. [12] Uuinton., B. [13] Auulf, B. [14] Ego prefixed to all the following names, B.

✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ælfgar minister.
✠ Byrhtferþ minister.
✠ Aþelpold. minister.
✠ Pulfgar minister.
✠ Alfpold minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister

Endorsed in a contemporary hand:—"✠ þis[1] is þara. XVI hida boc æt Anninga dune þe Eadpig cing gebocode Eadmunde ealdormen on ece yrfe."; *and in one of the xiith century,* "Concessit istam terram cuidam optimati suo".

[A.] Original charter in Brit. Mus., Augustus ii, 45.
[F.] Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii. pl. 20.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccxlv; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 439.
[B.] Brit. Mus., Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 56b.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 227.

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962. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Ebbesborne, co. Wilts.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS IS ÞARA. V. HYDA BOC ÆT EBBLESBURNA ÞE EDPI CYNG GEBOCODE PULFRYCE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE.

In sancte et individue trinitatis vocamine. Ego. EADPIC. egregius Angul Saxonum basileus ceterarumque plebium hinc inde habitantium crebro quidem cœpi rimari quod ea quæ videntur temporalia ac caduca sunt: et quæ non videntur eternaliter mansura. Idcirco cuidam uni meorum procerum nomine. PULFRIC. V. cassatos perhenniter impendo penes illum locum quo assertione multorum hominum profertur ita ÆT EBLESBURNAN. quatinus habeat vita comite perpetualiter. cum campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. prefatum rus omni servitio careat preter expeditionem pontis et arcis munimen.

Cœlum scandat cupiens.
Ima petat rennuens.

Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus. Ðis synd þa land ge mere to Eblesburnan. ærest of crund pylle on bromes ford þonon on lang broc þonon ⁊lang streames. to þere mearce. ⁊lang mearce on bryd beorh. þonon on rupan beorch. of þam beorche ⁊lang mearce on þéth píte[2] sceard. on þa greatan díc. þonon end lang mearce on þone stapol. of þam stapole on biccan hlep. þonon on middel geat. of middel geate on middel done. on þone beorch. þonon end lang mearce on middel hlinch. þonon eft on crund pylle. ⁊ seó med þe þar to ge byred piþ humming tun þes ís fifta healf æcer seo his sunder med.

[1] Title in B.:—Carta Regis Edwii de Anningedune.
[2] *Sic*, MS., ? þet hpite; fort. wite, K.

Acta est hæc præfata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LVI. Indictione. XIIII.

Ego. Eadƿig. Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Eadgar. ejusdem regis frater consensi.
Ego Oda. archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus. presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi.
Ego Cenƿald episcopus. consignavi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus. corroboravi.
Ego Osulf episcopus. subscripsi.
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus. adquievi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus. non rennui.
Ego Alfƿold episcopus. confirmavi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus. conclusi.
Ego. Æþelstan. dux.
Ego. Eadmund. dux.
Ego. Æþelstan. dux.
Ego Byrthferh dux.
Ego. Ælfhere dux.
Ego. Æþelmund dux.
Ego Eþelsige dux.
Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æþelgeard minister.
Ego Ælfheach minister.
Ego Ælfgar minister.
Ego Byrhtferh minister.
Ego Ælfheah minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 17.

[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXXXVIII; from [A.]

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963. *Grant by Eaduuig to the thegn Eadric, of land in Weligford, or Welford, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA[1] REGIS EDWII. XXII. CASSATORUM IN WEL'.

Intimo precordialis affectu caritatis ego EADUUIG[2] altitonantis providentia non solum gubernator ⁊ rector Angligene prosapie immo aliarum nationum circumquaque morantium cuidam meo ministro vocato nomine. EADRICO. XXII. mansas impendo cum his utilitatibus que jure pertinere ad illum cernuntur locum tam in pratis ⁊ campis. quam in pascuis ⁊ silvis penes illum locum qui dicitur ÆT ƿELIGFORDA ut possideat cunctis diebus vite sue cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus tam in magnis quam in minimis. Cum vero dissolutionis sue tempus accesserit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat. ut ante caraxatum est eternaliter. maneat autem predictum rus defensum ab omni obstaculo ⁊ liberum a

[1] Carta Regis Eadwi de Waligford, rubric in B.

[2] Eadwi, B.

cuncto servitio excepto communi labore expeditione pontis renovatione arcisve constructione.

Siquis vero tyrannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti cirographum sciat se coram Christo et angelis ejus in tremendo examine rationem redditurum nisi hic prius emendare satagerit.

Mete de Welliforde.[1] Istis terminis circum girata assertur ante scilicet supradicta terra. Ðis sint þa land ge mære þe hirað in to Ƿellig forda[2] of pines treope andlang peges on þane[3] holan[4] peg anlang peges of þan[5] holan pege on bradan lea norþe pearde[6] on enne[7] ham þurh ut þone lea suð ut on oþerne ham[8] of þan[5] hamme anlang hege repe[9] innan popping[10] hangran[11] innan scilling hangran on ænne ham of scilling hangran of bradan ham peste peardne of bradan hamne on cerdan[12] hleap of cærdan hlæpe ut on lam burnan on eccan ford[13] on[14] eccan forda[13] on dyran treop. of dyrnan[15] treope on ylfing dene on ænne ele beam of þan[5] ele beame on cedboldes[16] pylle of cedboldes[17] pulle[18] on cytan seohtres ford. of cytan seohtres forda ⁊lang hricgges on syntri mæde norþe pearde. of syntri mæde[19] on flex hammas[20] of flex hamman on mint hammas on cylman stane. of cylman stane on þone þry scytan crundel of þan[5] crundele on þone rugan crundel of þan[21] rupan crundele þurh ut clod hangran. of þan[5] hangran ⁊lang rode ut on mules dene ⁊lang dene utan lam burnan[22] ⁊lang[23] burnan on pæter[24] peg. of þan[5] pæter[24] pege on paterhammes[24] of þan[5] hamman[25] on grenan beorh of þan[5] beorhe on lang[26] heccan[27] on eccunes treop. of þan[5] treope on lang[26] gemæres[28] to pines treop[29].

Acta est hec supradicta donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LVI. indiccione. XIIII^a.

✠ Ego[30] Eaduuig gratia Dei tocius Britannice telluris rex meum donum proprio sigillo confirmavi.

✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorovernensis ecclesie archipresul alme crucis specimine roboravi.

[1] Mete. XXII. mansionum de Weligford, B. [2] Istis...forda, for this B. reads Ærest. [3] þone, B. [4] Holen, B. [5] þam, B. [6] -dne, B. [7] Ænne, B. [8] þurh ... ham, omitted, B. [9] Repe, B. [10] Wop., K. [11] Of poppinghangran, added, B. [12] Cærdan, B. [13] Eoccenf., B. [14] Of, B. [15] Dyran, B. [16] Cælb., B. [17] Cælbaldes, B. [18] pylle, B. [19] -mede, B. [20] -mes, B. [21] Rugan ..þan, omitted B. [22] Landburnan, B. [23] ⁊glang, B. [24] peter., B. [25] Hamma B. [26] ⁊lang. B. [27] Hæccan, B. [28] Gæmeres, B. [29] Treope, B.

[30] B. gives the witnesses thus:—Ego Eadwi rex Anglorum confirmavi. Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater. et Ego Odo archiepiscopus. et Ego Alfsinus episcopus. Et multi alii subscripserunt.

✠ Ego Aelfsinus Uuintoniensis ecclesie speculator proprio stilo caractavi.
✠ Ego Cenpald cum celesti signo adfui.
✠ Ego Oscytel placabili mente consensi.
✠ Ego Osulfus non renui.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Aþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ego Ælfhere minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþeluuold minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfgar minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 52.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 112b. Boundaries at fol. 197.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCVIII; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 207.

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964. *Grant by King Eaduuig to the thegn Byrhtnoð, of land at Tadmarton, co. Oxon.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWI DE TADEMERTUNA[1].

Mundi terminum ruinis crebrescentibus adpropinquantibus etiam indicia manifesta et experimenta liquida declarant ⁊ ad discutiendum torpentes infidelium mentes illa dudum dicta oracula incumbere noscuntur refrigescit ardor summe que[2] Deus est caritas[3] salutarisque sacri arescit limpha lavacri[4] querit quisque secundum sua desideria sibi magistros erroris abicientes sententiam euuangelice veritatis quasi nausium nectar ⁊ cenose laticis fabulas vertunt aures. caveat quisque qui sapiens est sibi hec.

Quamobrem ego EADUUIG[5] basileon tocius Albionis domino dispensante dum mihi creator ⁊ conditor rerum á quo tocius mundane machine Rite gubernacula reguntur posteritatis jure successionisque priores sequenti sceptra largire dignatus est opere precium reor futurorum temporum vicissitudinem preoccupans anticipari ⁊ incertum humane condicionis statum sagaci mentis intuitu providere quatinus ex his inflictis facinorum vulneribus indulta superne pietatis remedia merear adipisci.

Quapropter ego. EADUUIG[5]. rex ⁊ primicerius istius insule cum consensu meorum sapientium archontumque libenti animo

[1] Carta. x. Cassatorum ad Tademertun, B. [2] Qua, B. [3] -tatis, B.; cf. 1 Joh. iv, 7. [4] -chri, B. [5] Eadwi, B.

concedens donavi . BYRHTN[O]DO[1]. ministro meo aliquam terre partem id est . X . cassatorum in loco qui dicitur . TADEMERTUN . in hereditatem perpetuam sibi suisque heredibus ab omni tributo liberam donamus exceptis his arcis pontisque et expeditionis . ut habeat ⁊ perfruatur cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus .

Mete.[2] Ðis[3] sind þa land gemære ðara . X . hida . Ærest of coppan pyllan broc þonne[4] ða blacan pyllan ꝥ of blacan pyllan on ðone heafod æcer . of þan[5] æcere ⁊lang gemæres on hesl[6] burh[7] midde pearde . of hæselbyrg on hæsl ford ⁊lang streames on þone caldan ford . of þan forde a be gemære ꝥ on ða stræt of þære stræt on þone læg acer . of þan læg æcere a be mære[8] ꝥ on þone hrigc[9] peg . of þan hric[10] pege be gemære ꝥ on þa caldan dic ⁊lang dices 'on lang dices brigce[11]. of þære brigce[12] on gean stream ꝥ on 'gres pyllan[13] broc of þam[14] broce on fule pyllan of þam pylle be gemære on scearpannesse[15] a be gemære ꝥ on ðone steort of þan[16] steorte on ða stræt[17] ⁊lang streate[18] on hun burhge leah of þære leahe ꝥ eft on coppan pyllan broc .

F[a]cta[19] est autem hec donatio anno ab incarnatione domini . DCCCC . LVI . indictione vero . XIIII[a]. His testibus consentientibus ⁊ conscribentibus quorum nomina hic postponuntur . interdictum sit omni christiano in nomine sancte trinitatis hoc donum mutare vel fringere alioquin anathema sit a Deo ⁊ hominibus nisi prius emendat digne .

Testes.[20] ✠ Ego[21] Eaduuig rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sancte crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Eadgar frater ejusdem regis confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus favi .
✠ Ego Uulfsige episcopus dictavi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi .

[1] Brithnodo, B. [2] Mete . x . Cassatorum ad Tademertun, B. [3] This sentence omitted, B. [4] ꝥ on, B. [5] þam, B. [6] Hæsh, B. [7] Burh. omitted, B. [8] Gem., B. [9] -cg. B. [10] Hrycg. B. [11] On landgares bricge, B. [12] -cge. B. [13] Cærspyllan. B. [14] þam, B. [15] -næsse, B. [16] ðam, B. [17] Stret, B. [18] Strete, B. [19] Acta, B. [20] Testes, omitted, B. [21] B. records the witnesses thus.—✠ Ego Eadwi rex . et Ego Eadgar frater regis . et Ego Odo archiepiscopus cum coepiscopis meis confirm̄ .

✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .
✠ Ego Æðelsige dux .
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Æðelpuold dux .
✠ Ego Æðelmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister .
✠ Ego Bryhtferð minister .
✠ Ego Ælheah minister .
✠ Ego Æðelgeard minister .
✠ Ego Ælfryd minister .
✠ Ego Æðylmer minister .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 48.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 113b. Boundaries at f. 198.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 191.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCV; from [A. B.]

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965. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Brihtric, of land at Tademær tun, or Tadmarton, co. Oxon.* A.D. 956.

Christo[1] . tripudiante sagaci providendo intuitu casus lapsusque naturæ humanæ . de qua eclesiastes "vanitas[2] inquit "vanitatum et omnia vanitas" incessanter referre debitrices gratias oportet ei scilicet cujus bonitate dum non essemus conditi sumus . dum perclitamur beneficiis refocillamur dum denique omnino æterna perditi nece ipsius unigeniti livore nos esse credimus redintegratos ad vitam et eandem mercando mutuari conceditur æterna caducis. veritate dicente . "Thesaurizate[3] vobis thesauros in cælo" et cætera .

Qua de re ego EADÞIG[4] rex et primicerius totius Albionis Deo opitulante cuidam ministro nomine BRIHTRIC . V . cassatos[5] in loco qui dictur TADEMÆR TUN[6] in hereditatem perpetuam concedo cum omnibus ad sé pertinentibus ad possidendum atque tradendum cui sibi placuerit . Solutum etiam hoc idem rus permaneat omni jugo regali preter expeditionem pontis arcisque constructionem . Si quis vero huic donationi contravenire nitatur poenas sentiat Averni "ibi[7] erit fletus et stridor dentium";

Ðis syndon ða land gemæro æt tademærtune[8] ðara . V . hida[9]. Ærest[10] of eadpardes myle þ on ða ealdan dic of ðære dic on mær broc of mærbroce on þ castre[11] sic of ðam sice on mær[12] stan of mær stane[13] on ðane caldan garan of ðan garan a be heafdan[14] a be heafdan[15] þ on ðone broc of ðam broce ongean stream þ on þ

[1] Carta . v . hidarum ad Tademertuna, title in C. [2] Eccl. i, 2. [3] Matt. vi, 20. [4] Eaduui, B. C. [5] C. has here the interesting marginal note :— "Nota quod hide . Cassati . ⁊ Manse idem sunt." [6] -mertun, B. C. [7] Matt. viii, 12, etc. [8] -mertune, B. C. [9] Mete . v . cassatorum ad Tademertun, rubric in B. [10] Ærest, A. B. C.; æt rest, F. [11] Estre, B. C. [12] Mear, B. [13] Of m. s, omitted, C. [14] Of, added, B. [15] A be heafdan, omitted, C.

riscbed of ðam riscbedde[1] ꝥ on ðone ƿeg . ꝥ suð ⁊lang ƿeges ꝥ on ꝥ slæd ꝥ of ðan slæde up on þa ecge ꝥ ⁊lang ecge on heort ƿyllan of heort ƿyllan on ða caldan stȳge ꝥ ⁊lang stȳge on ðone mær pȳt of ðam pȳtte on ƿilbaldes ecge of ƿilbaldes ecge ꝥ eft on eadƿardes[2] mȳlne .

Acta est autem[3] hæc donatio anno ab incarnatione dominica . DCCCCLVI . indictione . XIIII . regni autem mei primo anno ;

Ego[4] Eadƿig rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sancte crucis impressi .
Ego Eadgar frater ejusdem regis confirmavi .
Ego Odo archiepiscopus consignavi .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
Ego Brihtelm episcopus favi .
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus dictavi .
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi .

✠ Æðelstan dux .	✠ Ælfgar minister .
✠ Æðelsige dux .	✠ Bȳrhtferð minister .
✠ Ælfhere dux .	✠ Ælfheah minister .
✠ Eadmund dux .	✠ Æðelgeard minister .
✠ Aðelƿold dux .	✠ Ælfryd minister .
✠ Æðelmund dux .	✠ Æðȳlmær minister .
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Endorsed in a contemporary hand :—" ðis 'is' ðara . V . hida boc æt Tademær tune ðe Eadƿig cȳning gebocaþ Brihtrice on ece ȳrfe ."; *and in one of the xiith century*, " carta de Tademertona". " III".

[A.] Original Charter in Brit. Mus., Augustus ii, 43.
[F.] Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii, pl. 19.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLIII; from [A.]
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 49.
[C.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 113b. Boundaries at f. 196b.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 194.

[1] Of ð. r., omitted, C. [2] -ƿeardes, B. C. [3] Autem, omitted, S.
[4] The witnesses in C. are these only:—Ego Eadwi rex . et Ego Eadgar frater regis . et Ego [O]do archiepiscopus firmavimus .

966. WITENAGEMOT AT CHEDDAR. *Grant by King Eadwig to Prince Beorhtnoð, of land at Tadmarton, co. Oxon. 29th November, A.D. 956.*

ÐIS[1] IS ÐARA . V . HIDA BOC ÆT TADMERTUNE DE EADWIG CING GE BOCODE BEORHTNODE EALDERMEN ECE YRFE[2].

✠ Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo . Cunctis supernorum sacramenta donorum cælitus perscrutantibus notum est . quod non solum hujus mundi status antiqui hostis fraude adque[3] molimine deficiendo corrumpitur verum etiam in presentis vitæ prope consummato curriculo humana prosperitas iniquorum hominum acri intentione et angore constringitur[4]. Nunc ergo dum nobis tempus est veniæ . festinemus laqueum totis nisibus devitare mortis . dumque carnale possidemus patrimonium spiritale exerceatur mercimonium quo inter angelicos choros mereamur adipisci gaudia sine fine mansura .

Quapropter ego EADVVIG[5] Rex Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector : Cuidam meo fideli nomine BEORHTNOD[6] princeps[7] quinque mansas perpetualiter concedo in illo loco qui dicitur TADMERTÚN quatenus habeat ac possideat quamdiu vitalis spiritus aluerit corpus . cum . autem dissolutionis suæ dies advenerit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu supra diximus in eternam hereditatem . Sit autem predicta donatio ab omni mundiali obstaculo libera cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . exceptis istis tribus expeditione pontis arcisve[8] constructione Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stultitiæ temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit : sit ipse gravibus per[9] colla depressus catenis[10] inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum catervas , Nisi[11] prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit[12], Istis terminibus predicta terra circumgyrata esse videtur .

Ðis synt[13] þa land gemæro to tadmertune þara v . hida[14] ærest on hallhford þ andlang[15] þó burnan þ on eow anwelles[16] stream þ up ongean stream an[17] sandford . of sandforda á be gemære þ on ða

[1] Rubric, partly ploughed away by binder, the restoration is conjectural.
[2] Carta regis Eduuii de . v . Cassatis in Tademertuna, rubric, B.; Carta aliarum . v . hidarum ad Tademertuna, rubric. C.
[3] Atque, C.
[4] -guntur, B. C.
[5] Eadwi, C.
[6] -otho, S.
[7] Principi, C.
[8] Arcisque, C.
[9] Per, C.; p̄, A. B.
[10] Cathenis, B.
[11] Digne, added, C.
[12] Mete de terra de Tadmertun . quam dedit ministro suo, rubric, B.
[13] Sind, B.
[14] Istis term... ..hida, omitted, and Mete aliarum . v . mansarum ad tademertun, added, rubric, C.
[15] Anlang, B.
[16] Eoppan welles, B.; eoppan wylles, C.
[17] On, B. C.

heafod stoccas . of ðan[1] stoccan on ðone mær stan . of ðan[2] stane á be gemære þ on landgares brige :—

Acta est hæc prefata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi . DCCCC . L . VI . indictione XIIII . in palatio regis[3] in CEODRE[4] . III . Kł . Decembris .

[5] ✠ Ego[6] Eadvvig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi .

✠ Ego Odo archiepiscopus Dorobornensis ecclesiæ sigillo sanctæ crucis subscripsi .

✠ Ego Byrhtelmus Lundaniensis ecclesiæ episcopus testudinem[7] sanctæ crucis subscripsi et confirmavi .

✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Cenwold episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Wulfsige episcopus impressi .
✠ Ego Byrhtelmus episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Alfwald episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Aþulf[8] episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Danihel[9] episcopus conclusi .
✠ Ælfhere dux .
✠ Eadmund[10] dux .
✠ Athelwold[11] dux .
✠ Aðelmund[12] dux .
✠ Aeðelsige dux .
✠ Beorhtnoð dux .
✠ Aelfheh[13] minister .
✠ Aelfsige minister .
✠ Aeðelgerd[14] minister .
✠ Aedric[15] minister .
✠ Aelfric minister .
✠ Alfwold minister .
Byrhtferd minister .
Wulfric minister .
Aelfnoð minister .

At end is the note :—"thys copye y toke owt of an originall off doct Owens."

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 161. (Kindly copied by Mr. A. Rogers.)
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXLVIII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 442.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 49[illegible].
[C.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 114. Boundaries at f. 193.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 197.

[1] ðam, C. [2] þam, C. [3] Et in pal. reg. scripta est, C. [4] Ceoldre, C. [5] *Testes*, rubric in B. [6] C. gives the names of the witnesses thus:—Ego Eadwi rex . et Ego Odo archiepiscopus cum multis aliis subscripsimus. [7] Testitudinem, B. [8] Auulf, B. [9] Daniel, B. [10] Adm., B. [11] Æðeluuold, B. [12] Æð., B. [13] B. arranges these *ministri* in a different order. [14] Æþelgeard, B. [15] Eadric, B.

967. *Grant by King Eadwig to St. Mary's Abbey, Abingdon, of land at Tadmarton, co. Oxon.* A.D. 956.

CARTA DE TADMERTON.

✠ Cuncta seculorum patrimonia incertis nepotum heredibus relinquuntur. et omnis mundi gloria appropinquante debitæ mortis termino ad nihilum reducta fatescit. Hujus rei gratia terrenis caducarum rerum possessionibus semper mansura supernæ patriæ emolimenta adipiscentes domino juvante lucremur.

Quapropter lubrici potentatus non immemor ego EADWIG Rex et primicerius totius Albionis omnipotenti Christo ejusque beatæ et gloriosæ genetrici semper virgini Mariæ nec non ABBENDUNENSI cœnobio quamdam terræ meæ portionem. XX[1]. videlicet hidas secundum æstimationem loco qui celebri onomate TADMÆRTON nuncupatur cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. aquis. largior. Et concedo. Vt hæc possessio perpetuo jure mancipata predicto cenobio subjaceat. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo exceptis istis tribus expeditione pontis arcisve constructione. Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stulticiæ temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit. Sit ipse gravibus per colla depressus catenis inter flammivomas tetrorum dæmonum catervas nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit.

His terminis prædicta terra circumgirata esse videtur. tribus in locis distincta.

Ðis[2] synt ða land gemæro ðara . x . hyda .

Ærest of cyppan pyllan broc þ on ða blacan pyllan þ of blacan pyllan on ðone heafodæcre . of ðan æcre 7 lang gemærweges[3] on heafburh[4] middeweardre of heafbyrg[4] on heafford[4] 7 lang streames on ðone ealdan ford of ðan forda a be gemære þ on ða stræt of ðære stræt on ðone leg æcer of ðam leg æcer a be gemære þ on ðone brige peg . of ðam bric pege be gemære þ on ða ealdan dic 7 lang dices on landgaran brigce of ðære brigce ongean stream þ on cærsyllan broc of ðam broce on fule pyllan of ðam pille be gemære on sceaprannanæce a be gemære þ on ðone stocet . of ðam stocet on ða stræt 7 lang stræt on hunburg leah of ðære leah þ eft on cyppan pillan broc .

✠ Ðis syntou[5] ða landgemæro æt þo . v . hidys in Tademærtun .

Ærest of Eadwardes myle þ on ða ealdan[6] dic on mær broc . of mærbroce on þ eastre dic . of ðam dice on mærstan . of mærstane on ðone ealdan garan . of ðan garan a be heafdan þ on ðone broc of ðan broce ongean stream þ on þ riscbed . þ on ðone

[1] These twenty hides appear to be constituted by the ten hides in No. 964; five in No. 965; and five in No. 966. [2] These boundaries occur also in Nos. 964, 965, 966. [3] *Sic*, MS. [4] Heafd, K. [5] Syndon, K. [6] -dan, MS.

ƿeg ꝥ suð ⁊ lang ƿeges ꝥ on ꝥ slæd ꝥ of ðan slæde up on þa ecge ꝥ ⁊ lang ecge on heortƿyllan . of heort ƿyllan on ða ealdan stige ꝥ andlang styge on ðone mærƿit . of þam pitte on ƿilbaldes ecge of ƿilbaldes ecge ꝥ eft on eadƿardes mylne .

✠ Dis synt þa landgemæro to oþer . v . hidin .

Ærest on halhford ꝥ ⁊ lang ƿoburnan ꝥ on eoppan ƿelles stream ꝥ up ongean stream on sandford . of sandforda on be gemære ꝥ on ða heaford stoccas . of þan stoccan on ðone mærstan of ðan mærstan o be gemære ꝥ on landgares biege[1] .

Acta est hæc donatio anno ab incarnatione domini DCCCC . LVI . Indictione . XIIII . regni autem mei primo anno his testibus .

✠ Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sanctæ crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Eadgar frater ejusdem regis confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Brihtelm episcopus favi .
✠ Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus dictavi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Æðelstan dux .
✠ Æðelsige dux . ✠ Ælfgar minister . ✠ .
✠ Ælfhere dux . ✠ Byrhtferð minister . ✠ .
✠ Eadmund dux . ✠ Alfheah minister . ✠ .
✠ Aðelƿold dux . ✠ Ælfryd minister . ✠ .
✠ Ælgeard minister . ✠ . ✠ Æðylmaer minister . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 149. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXLII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 438.

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968. *Grant by King Eadwig to his huntsman Wulfric, of lands at Seal and Dunnynghefd, probably*[2] *Zeal-Monachorum, near Exeter, co. Devon.* A.D. 956.

✠ O ineffabilis gratia quae carnem sumere dignata est , ut protoplasto peccante genus salvares humanum , cyrographum namque deletum antiqui hostis eadem gratia devincente , olifera liberi arbitrii potestas , Deo gratias , redit homini jam sanguine suo redempto . Ex quo , injuriis cessantibus , sua largiri yncolae discant comparando regna polorum .

Iccirco ego EADWIG Deo propitio rex Anglorum , condonare

[1] Briege, K.
[2] But *cf.* Zeal and Donhead, co. Wilts, near Shaftesbury.

dispono unumquemque fidelem causa gratulandi quæ mihi dedit trinitas simp[le]x, huic quoque meo dilecto fideli, famosissimo vellat... homine Wulfrico, mansam et dimidiam quod AT SEALE dicitur, et unam AT DUNNYNGHEFD nuncupatam, in haereditatem concedo perhennem, cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus, possidendam, tradendamque quandoque cuilibet haeredi.

Anno autem DCCCC^mo. LVI^to. ab incarnatione dominica, indictione autem XIIII^ma. anno vero primo imperii mei, facta est haec agelli libertas, ab omni censu regali soluta, excepta expeditione, pontis arcisque constructione, testibus ydoneis adstipulantibus.

✠ Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum Deo largiente hanc meam donationem cum trophaeo sanctae crucis corroborando concessi.
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi.
✠ Ego Eadgar indolis clito confirmavi.
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Osuulf episcopus annui.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus dictavi.
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi.

Quicumque amodo hoc donum muniendo servaverit, amplitudinem dierum adipisci mereatur paradysi gaudium: infringere vero moliens, nisi emendando desinat, poenas luat infernorum. Amen.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLVIII; from MS. Cotton, Tiberius B. v, a fine Saxon MS. of the xith century, with additional entries concerning Battle Abbey and its offshoot, St. Nicholas, Exeter; but I have been unable to find the charter in the MS., although it seems probable that it did at one time contain it.

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969. *Grant by King Eadwig to Aðelwold, of land at Wootton,*[1] *co. Hants.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS IS ÞARA . IIII . HIDA BOC ÆT ƿUDATUNE ÞE EADƿIG CING GEBOCODE ALFƿOLDE ON ECE YRFE.

Omnipotens[2] cœli terre. In principio verbum. karismatum per tempora legis naturæ. littere vel gratiæ distributor patriarchas et prophetas sensim visitator. te timendum magnificant antiqui neglecti. te glorificant nuper redempti. útpote conregnandi fidem habentes gratia tui. Unde eadem gratia preventi ingenio fulgent.

[1] See No. 764. [2] *Cf.* proem of the following charter.

viribus pollent dominari jam audent vitiis. quippe perunncti nomine Christi.

Quapropter ego EADƿIG Rex Anglorum ditari sponte dispono quemque fidelem promerendo gaudia vitæ. atque huic meo fideli nomine ADELƿOLD. IIII. mansas ubi incole dicunt. ƿUDETUNE. concedo in hereditatem perpetuam. cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. Pratis. Pascuis. Silvis. solutos ab omni censu regali excepta expeditione. pontis arcisvæ constructione.

Anno. DCCCC. LVI. ab incarnatione dominica. Indictione. XIIII. Anno vero primo imperii nostri. testibus idoneis adstipulantibus.

Þis synd þa land ge mæro to ƿudetune. Ærest on þam ge middum and lang þære ƿeal dic on canuc ufeƿeardæ ƿa and lang þære ƿeal dic on canu rih ufæ ƿeardne ƿa and lang hrigges on ðone ƿeg þæ scyt on stænæ ƿæg ƿa ádun on stan ƿæg of stan ƿæge east and lang hærƿaðæs. ƿa forð be clyfæ oð ða coc rodæ. ƿa of þære coc rode adun east and lang ƿeges and deoh holes hyllæ of deoh holes hyllæ on þonæ cealc ƿyt ƿa ford ƿyð þonne ƿeg ƿestan oððæ ða dunæ ufe ƿearde on þa æþenam byrigelsas. ƿa ádun be ƿyrtruman æft to ge miðum.

Ego Eadƿig Rex gratia Dei Angol Saxonum hoc donum titulo sanctæ crucis corroboravi.
Ego Oda Archipresul cum signo sanctæ crucis consensi.
Ego Eadgar indoles clito signum agyæ crucis annui.
Ego ƿulfsige episcopus.

Ego Osulf episcopus.	Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Oscytel episcopus.	Ego Ælfre[1] minister.
Ego ƿulfhelm episcopus.	Ego ƿullaf minister.
Ego Daniel episcopus.	Ego ƿitgar minister.
Ego Æðelstan dux.	Ego ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æþelsige dux.	Ego Æðelmær minister.
Ego Ælfhære dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Eadmund dux.	Ego ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æðelmund dux.	Ego ƿulfgar minister.
Ego Byrhtferð dux.	Ego Ælfred minister.

Quicumque amodo hoc privilegii donum servando amplificaverit. mansionem adipiscat in Paradisi gaudio cum angelis Dei. minuere vero temptans penas sentiat infernales "ubi erit fletus et stridor dentium". nisi citius emendet.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 110. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXIII; from [A.]

[1] -red, K.

970. *Grant by King Adwig to the Monastery or Church at Shaftesbury, of lands at Donhead St. Andrew, and Easton-Bassett, co. Wilts, and Compton-Abbas, Hanley, and Iwerne, co. Dorset.* A.D. 956.

HEC INSCRIPTO ADWY . LXXXX . MANSAS ECCLESIE DE SHAFTESBURY IN HEREDITATEM OPTULIT PERHENNEM !

Omnipotens[1] celi terreque in principio creator karismatum pro temporibus tributor patriarchas et prophetas sensim tangencium . At ubi Messias humaniter descendere dignatus in quo pleniter requievit septiformis spiritus . eodem spiritu replevit orbem terrarum unicuique inquam dividit kata captum singulorum Ex quo preventi ingenio fulgent . viribus pollent . dominari jam audent . insuper uncti nomine Christi . unde vocatis electi peregrini ad patriam anhelando festinant ac sua largiri aut[2] dubitant caduca vilia deputantes comparando mansura .

Quapropter ego ADWIG gratia Dei rex Anglorum . LXXX . mansas ad monasterium quod a ruricolis vocatur SCEAFTESBURI in hereditatem offero perhennem pro Christi amore et venerabilium sanctorum quorum reliquie ibidem venerantur cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . pratis . silvis . pascuis . facta est autem hec libertas telluris ab omni censu regali soluta . excepta expeditione pontis arcisque constructione . Anno D CCCC LVI . ab incarnacione dominica Indictione XIIII . primo vero anno imperii mei coram testibus ydoneis .

Þis sent þe fiftiga hide land ſmare to DUNHEUED[3] and to ESTUNE and to CUMTUNE ðe man þa hiren offet on Sceaftesburi .

Ærest on heaued lakes þanen ! on hert mere forder on wermes hore fordward þanne forð be dine on lailuc heued þanen ! on berg hore uneþearde þanen ! on cealuclege þanen ! on stanburne up anlang streames . þañ up on dune þanen est be wirtrume oð bridinghe dich þanen on þa gereðe of þane dune forþerwarde . þañ up anlang scordene swo on þanne caldan hole weg to leches hleþe . þanen on mad alleres on land cumbes up on on gemanen cumb . þanen ! on þat michle flode oð alfsiges land imare þanen ; anlang cumbes hracan þannen on watdune beorch þanen on che'l'uedune þannen eft on heued stockes !

[1] *Cf.* proem of the preceding charter. [2] Haud, K. [3] Donhead St. Andrew, near Salisbury, co. Wilts.

Estune[1] : — Ðis sant þe fiftiþe hide þe sex hide at Estune. þane sant þis ðane sex hide landimare. arest on offen weg þañ : on þone ellen stub þanen : on miclen diches get þanen : on esnes diges get. þanen : on stan stylien. þanen : on elchene scað. þanen : on mapeldere cumb. þanen : on empenbeorch. þanen : on bican pet þanen : on þornwelles þanen : on lang stret eft offenweg. :

Cumtune[2] : — þis x. hide hereð. in to þanne fiftigen hiden atte Cumtune. þis sent þare x. hide lande gemare. arest on tor scylget. þanen be wirtrume oð dollen beorge. þanen : on þane imeren hole weg þanen : on holenpylle. of hollenwelle : on holencumb. þanen on þa lake to smale broke þanen : adun one þat lake to smale broke þanen adun one þat lake at here weg on stirchel anlang streames on þat litlen lake at Meleburge imare. þanen : on fern helle forð þanen : on anne hus þanen on meleberig dune duneward on þat ealde ad þonne þanen : on lippen stagen swo be wirtrume eft on torchil gat þanen sent at heanlegen. and at Iwern and forþe hide ða es fostodr̃ landes. and þis sent þa landimare :

Hanlee[3] : — Arest on litlen ac lee estward of aclee on pegan beorh. þanen on berendes beorh. þanen : on þere herepað at mes delle. þanne on þat get at seuen diche suð ende anlang diche o þes sledes Northeege þañ : on þan an lipien þorn. þanne be þane on heneden adun to wege. andland weges : on þannen mylen stede. þañ. on þane hege reawe oð ða furuh. on land furuh. on toten berḡ. þañ : on ac hylle on til luches lege. þanen : on biken settle. þanen : on mealeburg norþewarde. þañ : eft to anclee estward. þanne sent þis landimare at Iwern :

Iwern[4]—Arest on terente dene. þanen : to fideriches dene uueward þanne on þare crundel at þare weie itþislen[5] : on þane crundel. þanen : on budencumbe hracan þañ : on pung pylle þane : on þane ealden forð þanen : on cranmere. þanen on cing hille þanen : on ne smal þornes þanen : on spylles þanen on laemere. þanen an lang streames od sandford. þanen : on ears mores heaued þanen : on styb. þanen on foxlee nortwarde. þanen : on agen þorn. þanen : on þere crundel northwarde þannen : on waddene uuewarde. on hlinc reawe : þanen on þone grenwai at merewege uue þanen on þa heren apeldre. ꝥ eft. on terente dene[6]. :

Quicunque amodo[7] hoc privilegii donum ecclesie Dei sic attri-

[1] Easton Bassett hamlet in Donhead St. Andrew, co. Wilts. [2] Compton-Ablas, near Shaftesbury, co. Dorset. [3] Hanley, near Melbury, co. Dorset. [4] Iwerne-minster, near Shaftesbury, co. Dorset. [5] *Or* itpislen, MS. [6] Some of these words are corruptly divided in the MS. [7] Amado, MS.

butum conservare voluerit eternam recipiat mercedem inter choros angelorum. Sin autem perversus raptor ⁊ avarus infringere moliens obstaculum patiatur divinum a Deo ut non dimidiet dies suos et nequaquam videat bona in terra viventium nisi quamtocius emendet.

Ego Adpig Rex domino favente hoc donum tropheo sancte crucis sigillo.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus corroboravi ✠.
Ego Adgar indolis clito annui. ✠.
Ego Oscytil episcopus favi ✠.
Ego Alfsige episcopus ✠.
Ego Wlsige episcopus ✠.
Ego Osulf episcopus ✠.
Ego Berthelm episcopus ✠.
Ego Daniel episcopus ✠.
Ego Birthelm ✠.
Ego Aþelstan dux ✠.
Ego Alfsige dux ✠.
Ego Alfhere dux ✠.
Ego Alfgar ✠.
Ego Byrtferð dux ✠.
Ego Aþelmer ✠.
Ego Alfsige ✠.
Ego Alfech ✠.
Ego Ailwine ✠.
Ego Wlfric minister ✠.
Ego Aþelpard minister ✠.
Ego Alfred minister ✠.

[A.] MS. Harl 61, f. 204.

[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCCCXLVIII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 660.

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971. *Grant by King Eaduuig to the priest Byrhtelm, of land at Kenningtun, in Sunningwell, co. Berks, on the River Thames.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE KENITUNE[1].

Omnipotens rerum creator insimul universarum per sex dies distinxit formulas singulorum. statumque custodiunt[2] naturalem excepto homine ⁊ angelo prevaricatore per quem omnis adversitas inrepsit[3] in genus humanum. Quod miserando divina gratia liberavit tandem in fine seculorum. hoc audito ⁊ prelibato a multis peritioribus. ego EADUUIG[4] Rex Dei gratia tam pecuniis quam[5] prediis honorare dispono meos fideles. huic etiam meo fideli BYRHTELMO[6] presbitero. CENIGTUN. in hereditatem concedo perpetuam cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus possidendam ⁊ tradendam cui vis[7]

[1] Eadwi de Cenituna, B. [2] -divit, B. [3] Irr., B. K. [4] Eadwi, B.
[5] Quamque, B. [6] Brihthelmo, B. [7] Vult, B. K.

heredi . Facta est autem hec prefati agelli libertas ab omni censu regali soluta exceptis tribus expeditione videlicet pontis arcisque edificatione que pernecessaria sunt omnibus regionibus. Anno . DCCCC . LVI . incarnationis dominice indictione . XIIII . anno vero primo imperii nostri .

Mete.[1] Ðis sint þa land gemaro to cenigtune[2] of temese stæðe[3] on pulfrices broc uppan rige[4] peorðe[5] on þa caldan dic of þære[6] dic ut on Rige purðe heal . þanne[7] on þone rah hege an'd' lang þæs[8] hege[9] on baggan purðe æfre[10] Be efic[11] ꝥ hit cymþ on sceaceling æcere[12]. þonne ut on stanford[13] þanne[7] ut on temese on þone igoð ðpyres ofer berege on ceane[14] pyllan and[15] stremes[16] ut[17] temese and lang temese ꝥ hit cymð on hyrd ige þonne ut eft on pulfrices broc .

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex divina gratia largiente tocius Brintannie[18] hoc donum libenter signo crucis confirmavi .
✠ Ego Oda archipresul consensi .
✠ Ego Eadgar indolens[19] corroboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus annui .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Uulfsige episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Cynewold episcopus impressi .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus dictavi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux .
✠ Ego Byrhtferð dux .
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister .
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister .
✠ Ego Ælfred minister .
✠ Ego Æþelmær minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuine minister .
✠ Ego Ælfred minister .

Cuicumque[20] amodo nostrum decretum muniendo servaverit pascatur manna celesti . Si quis autem quod absit contraire temptaverit obstaculum patiatur Gehenne nisi cito emendare festinet .

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 53*b*.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCC; from [A.]
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 112. Boundaries at f. 187. Witnesses omitted.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 216.

1 Terra de Cenitun ita discriminatur, rubric in B. 2 B. commences here. 3 Stæde, B. 4 Hrige, B. 5 -ðæ, B. 6 ðere, B. 7 þonne, B. 8 þes, B. 9 -ges, B. 10 Efre, B. 11 Efric, with *r* expuncted, MS.; efisc, B. 12 -er, B. 13 Sandford, B. 14 Ceare, B. 15 ⁊lang, B. 16 Streames, B. 17 Æt, added, B. 18 *Sic*, MS. 19 With -*ns* partly erased, MS. 20 Qui, B.

972. *Exchange by Byrhtelm, Bishop of London, or of Wells (?), of the land mentioned in No. 971, with Abingdon, for land at Creedy Bridge, co. Devon.*

Ðis is seo gerædnes ðe BYRHTELM biscop and AÞELWOLD abbud hæfdon ymbe hira land gehperf. Þæt is þonne þe se biscop ge sealde þa hida æt CENINTUNE into þære cyricean æt Abbend to ecan yrfe ⁊ se abbud gesealde þ seofontyne hyda æt CRYDAN BRIGCE þan biscope to ecenesse ge on life ge efter life. ⁊ hi eac ealra ðinga ge hpyrfdon ge on cucan ceape ge ono ðeorn[1] spa spa hi betpehs him geræddon ⁊ ðis pæs Eadpiges leaf cyninges ⁊ ðis syndon ða ge pitnessa.

Ælfgifu þæs cininges pif.
⁊ Æþelgifu þæs cyninges pifes modur.

Ælfsige biscop.	Byrhtnoð ealdorman.
Osulf biscop.	Ælfheah cyninges discðen.
Coenpald biscop.	Eadric his brodur.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 88.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. mcci; from [A.]
[T.] Thorpe, *Dipl.*, p. 191.

[C.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 219. For the Latin narrative paragraph founded on this, see K., No. mcci; C., vol. i, p. 210; T., p. 191, from Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 112.

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973. *Grant by King Eadwig to Helelm, of land at Hamtun, or Hampton hundred (containing Bathampton), near Bath, co. Somerset.* A.D. 956.

DE QUINQUE HIDIS HAMTONE.

Providentia summi architectoris universa valde bona fabricans cœlum sibimet. terram autem dedit filiis hominum. cujus incolæ laboriose et cum dolore quasi ex debito morientes. cœlum ipsum fas est promereri. illis inquam ratione viventibus. ut sint et ipsi Dii gratia Dei. Set cum scimus nos pignoribus acceptis esse vocatos ad id. ignorantibus tamen utrum sumus electi nobis adeo timendum est ne nos cupido hujus mundi vel pompa immittat in os Leviathan Jordanem expectantis. ne regni sullimitas. ne omnino ulla prosperitas inflet! immo deiciat.

Unde ego EADWIG Dei gratia rex Anglorum. pro Christi nomine familiarissimo meo fideli qui dicitur HELHELM. V. mansas HAMTUN nomine. in hereditatem concedo perhennem cum omnibus ad se

[1] On ofrum, K.

pertinentibus . pratis . silvis . pascuis . venationibus . sine fisco regali . absque tribus communibus . expeditione videlicet . arcis . pontisque constructione . Anno primo regni mei . Ab incarnatione vero dominica . DCCCC . LVI°. Indictione XIIII^a . Ille vero pro me et pro se post sui obitum æcclesiæ Christi quæ sita est Baðum . illam præfatam terram jam offert in elemosynam .

Divisiones. Þis synd þa land gemæra to Hamtune . Vpp of afene on mærbroc on ðryllen[1] stan upp on gerihte on herces næs . suðe pearde and lang mærhagan on herces dic . And lan dic on herces get . Of þam gete on Cyninga þyrnan . eastepeerde and lang peges on hemlec lege eastepearde and lang stige on ulfan treop pest andlang peges adune on þone crundel æcer eastepearde adune on þone mær hagan on þone nearuan byge on afene . upp andlang stremes ꝥ eft upp on mær broc .

Ego Eadwig totius Albionis monarchus hoc monogrammum signo crucis Christi sigillo . ✠ .
Ego Odo archipræsul . signaculum crucis apposui . ✠ .
Ego Ælfsige antistes sponte annui . ✠ .
Ego Osulf pontifex confirmavi . ✠ .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus annotavi . ✠ .
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi . ✠ .

Æþelstan dux . ✠ .	Ælfsige minister . ✠ .
Æþelsige dux . ✠ .	Æþelmer minister . ✠ .
Eadmund dux . ✠ .	Æþelgeard minister . ✠ .
Æþelstan dux . ✠ .	Ælfred minister . ✠ .
Ælfhere dux . ✠ .	Æþelsige minister . ✠ .

Si quis igitur hoc donum custodiendo munierit . trabeatus inveniat stolam immortalitatis . rapere vero machinans præcipitetur in Cociti palude . nisi prius emendare sategerit .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 76. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCXL ; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 496.

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974. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Byrnric, of land at Polhampton[2] in Overton, co. Hants.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . V . HIDA BOC ÆT POLHAMATUNE ÞÆ EADPIG CING GÆBOCODÆ BYRNRICE HIS ÞEGNÆ ON ECE YRFÆ .

Regnante ac gubernante domino nostro Jhesu Christo . Nichil intulimus in hunc mundum verum nec auferre quid possumus .

[1] þyrllen, K.

[2] See No. 763.

de hís quæ velut áporiatum[1] peripsima[2] contempnuntur atria emenda sunt.

Ideo ego EADWIC. basileus Anglorum et æque totius Albionis gubernator et rector. cuidum meo fideli ministro quem vocitant nonnulli noto vocamine BYRNRIC. V. cassatos perpetualiter trado. illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur. ÆT POLEHAMETUNE. catenus ut hoc diebus suis possideat tramitibusque vitæ suæ. et postquam universitatis viam adierit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in æternam hereditatem. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni fiscali tributo secularium que servitutis exinanítum! Cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. Campis. Pascuis. Pratis. Silvis. Sine expeditione et pontis arcísvæ instructione. Nam si quis reprobus falsis machinationibus per aliquam scripturam meam donum subvertere conatus fuerit! Sit ipse in profundo chaos igneis nexibus mancipatus. et ejus memoria caligine mortis obtecta. nisi hic assiduis precibus prius obtabilem consequi mereatur. Predicta siquidem tellus. istis terminis circumcincta clarescit.

Dis synt þa land gé mere to Polhamatúne. ærest of þære strete on midde peardne meare þórn þonon to þisteleige þonon þpeores ofer þone beorh on eastan cobban lea. þonon on þone beorh þonon to þære apoldre þonon to þæm þorne of þæm þorne æft to þære strete.

Hæc carta incaraxata est. Anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCC LVI. Indictione. XIIII[a].

Ego Eadwic rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus Presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consignavi.
Ego Cenpald episcopus adquievi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus non rennui.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus subscripsi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
Ego Æþelstan dux.

Ego Ælmund dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Æþelstan dux.	Ego Æþelgearð minister.
Ego Ælfhere dux.	Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Æþelsige dux.	Ego Eadric minister.
Ego Æþelpold dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.

[1] Aporiare, ad paupertatem reducere, *Ducange*, s.v. Cf. 2 Cor. iv, 8. [2] Peripsema, res vilis et abjecta, *ibid.* Cf. 1 Cor. iv, 13.

Ego Ælfric minister . Ego Ælfpine minister .
Ego Ælfpig minister . Ego Ælfner minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 40. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXVII; from [A.]

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975. *Grant by King Eaduui to the thegn Bryhtric, of land at Hennariðc, or West Hendred, near Wantage, co. Berks.* A.D. (955 *for*) 956.

Regnante domino nostro Jhesu Christo summe beate trinitatis cujus composita facillime patet figura quoniam presentis conflictus gaudium nobis 'j'ubelei quasi latenter generat sempiternum apostolo dicente . " Quod[1] enim in presenti momentaneum est . ⁊ leve tribulationis nostre supra modum in sublimitate eternum glorie pondus operatus nobis" ob quam causam ego . EADUUI . rex omnium gentium huic insule coerentium cuidam ministro meo placabili aliquam partem mee telluris concedo BRYHTRICO in loco ubi dicitur . HENNARIÞ . id est . X . mansas ad perfruendum sibi hereditabiliter quamdiu vixerit cum pascuis . pratis . et post ejus obitum cuicumque voluerit relinquat . Si quis ergo donationem hanc regis augere optaverit sit dignos æterna mercede . sin autem minuere sit anatematizatus . nisi ante obitum emendaverit . Sit autem predictum Rus ab omni mundiali obstaculo 'liberum' exceptis istis tribus expeditione pontis . arcisve constructione .

Mete de HannaRiþe. Terminis istis circum cincta videtur terra esse . [Đ]is[2] is ðes landes boc æt hennaRiþe ten hida gemenes landes þe Eadpig cing gebocade ByrhtRice his ðegene .

Acta est hec cartula anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCC LV[I] Indiccione . XIIII . testibus istis armata est terra.

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum cum sigillo sanctæ crucis expressi .
✠ Ego Odo archiepiscopus signavi .
✠ Ego Eadgar frater regis consensi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus signavi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige episcopus roboravi .
✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus adibui .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfuuald episcopus consensi .
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus adhesi .
✠ Ego Æðelstan dux consensi .

[1] 2 Cor. iv, 17. [2] This sentence seems to have been an endorsement of the original charter, which has been interpolated into the text of the MS.

✠ Ego Æþelsige dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister .
✠ Ego Byrhferð minister .
✠ Ego Leofuuine minister .
✠ Ego Ælfere dux .
✠ Ego Ælfheh minister .
✠ Ego Æþeluuald dux .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 42.
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. MCLXXIX; from [A.]
[S.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 182.

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976. *Grant by King Eadwig to the Prince Æthelgeard, of land in Cittandene, or Chidden, in the parish of Hambledon and near Bishop's Waltham, co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS IS ÐARA . X . HIDA BOC ÆT CITTANDENE ÞE EADƿIG CING GEBOCODE ÆÞELGEARDE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFÆ.

Regnante in perpetuum ac gubernante domino nostro Jhesu Christo . omnia jura regnorum cunctis agye sophie fontem haurientibus opere precium fore videtur quod ea que secundum instituta et decreta antiquorum patrum tractata fuerint quamvis veridicorum hominum sermo testimonium sufficeret . tamen pro incerta prolixi temporis fortuna cyrographorum scedulis sunt roboranda .

Quamobrem ego EADƿIG non solum Angul Saxonum basileus verum etiam totius Albionis insule gratia Dei sceptro fungens uni meo principi quem vocitant nonnulli noto vocamine ÆÞELGEA'R'D . cum consensu meorum optimatum . X . mansas perhenni stabilitate concedo . in illo loco ubi vulgari astipulatione vocamen antique imposuerunt ÆT CITTANDENE . ut habeat cum omnibus quæ ad illum locum pertinere noscuntur . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . quatinus mea dapsili deditione quamdiu vitalis flatus suum foverit corpus hilari animo perfruatur . et post se heredi cui voluerit derelinquat . sicut ante manifestatum est eternaliter . Careat autem nostrum carisma omni mundano servitio . excepto triplici labore . expeditione . pontis arcisve constructione .

Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit . sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus . nisi hic prius emendare satagerit .

Istis terminis hæc tellus ambita videtur .

Ðis synd þa land gemera to Cittandene . Ærest on þone þriddan hlinc þe to hamelandunæ hyrþ of þam hlince on mearcdene 7lang dene to þam ƿestmestan beorgan . þonon east 7lang ƿeges on þonon hƿitan ƿeter ƿæg . of þam ƿege forþ in on mearclea . þonon east 7lang hlinces on þa here stræte . þonon to cittanƿara becun[1] .

[1] Cf. to cit ƿara becan, No. 902.

⁊ lang beca forþ to pealtham in on þa mearce þe to hamelandune hyrþ.

Hæc carta scripta est anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCCLVI.

Ego Eadþig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo agye crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus episcopus sigillum sanctæ crucis impressi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Þulfsige episcopus adquievi.
Ego Brihtelm episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus consignavi.

Æþelstan dux.	
Ædmund dux.	Ælfsige minister.
Æþelstan dux.	Ælfred minister.
Byrhtferh dux.	Ælfgar minister.
Ælfhere dux.	Byrhtferþ minister.
Ælfsige minister.	Ælfheah minister.
Þulfric minister.	Ælfric minister.
Ælfheah minister.	Aþelþold minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 67. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCII; from [A.]

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977. *Grant by King Eaduui to the thegn Æþelnod, of land at Fif hide, or Fyfield, between the Rivers Eoccene or Ock, and Wasa, or Isis, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE FIFHIDE.

Regnante inperpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo cunctis supernorum sacramenta donorum celitus perscrutantibus notum est quod non solum hujus mundi status antiqui hostes fraude adque[1] molimine deficiendo corrumpitur verum etiam in presentis vite prope consummato curriculo humana prosperitas iniquorum hominum acri intentione ⁊ angore constringuntur. Nunc ergo dum nobis tempus est venie festinemus laqueum totis nisibus devitare mortis dumque carnale possidemus patrimonium spiritale exerceatur mercimonium quo inter angelicos choros mereamur adipisci gaudia sine fine mansura.

[1] Atque, S.

Quapropter ego EADUUI rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator ⁊ rector. cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine. ÆÞELNOD. XIII. mansas perpetualiter concedo in illo loco ubi jamdudum ruricole illius terre nomen indiderunt ÆT FIF HIDUM quatenus habeat ac possideat quam diu vitale spiritus alucrit corpus. cum autem dissolutionis sue dies advenerit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu supradiximus in eterna hereditate. Sit autem predicta donatio ab omni mundiali obstaculo libera cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. exceptis istis tribus expeditione pontis arcisve constructione. Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stulticie temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit. sit ipse gravibus per colla depressus catenis inter flamivomas tetrorum demonum catervas. nisi prius hic ad satisfaccionem venire maluerit.

Mete. Istis terminis predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur. Ðis sind þara. XIII. hide land gemæra þe to fif hidum ge byriad ærest on ydeles ige. of ydeles ige ⁊lang ge mæres to þat teles pege ⁊lang peges on mearan mores heafod ⁊lang mæuan mores heafud on eoccene up mid stræme to hudes lade of hudes lade to þære scortandic. of þære scortan dic on ælfðryþe dic. ⁊lang dic on holan broc ⁊lang holan broces on pasan. ⁊lang pasan eft to ydeles ige. þonne is þæs landes ealles. XIII. healf hid.

Acta est hæc prefata donatio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LVI. indiccione. XIIII^a.

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis indeclinabiliter consensi atque roboravi.

✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus sigillo sancte crucis subscripsi.

✠ Ego Ælfsige Uuintoniensis ecclesie episcopus testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi ⁊ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Cenuuold episcopus confirmavi.

✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus consensi.

✠ Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi.

✠ Ego Uulfsige episcopus subscripsi.

✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus impressi.

✠ Ego Alfuuald episcopus corroboravi.

✠ Ego Auulf episcopus consensi.

✠ Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi.

✠ Ego Ælfere dux. ✠ Ego Æþelsie minister.

✠ Ego Eadmund dux. ✠ Ego Uulfric minister.

✠ Ego Æþelmund dux. ✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister.

✠ Ego Byrhtferd minister.
✠ Ego Ælfnoð minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgard minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfhere minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Eadred minister.
✠ Ego Cynesie minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 57b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCVI; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 232.

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978. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Eadwig, of land at Brantes tun, Branson, or Branston, co. Stafford, near Burton-on-Trent.* A.D. 956.

✠[1] Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Manifestum est cunctis quod omnia cœlestia et terrestria providentia Dei gubernanter[2] quæ sollicitudo mortalis vitæ in carorum amicorumque amisione conqueritur ac defletur. ideo certis adstipulationibus mellita oraculis[3] divinæ clamationis nós frequentativis ortationibus[4] suadet. Ut cum hís fugitivis et sine dubio transitoriis possessiunculis jugiter mansura regna[5] Dei suffragio adipiscenda sunt.

Idcirco ego. EADPIG. rex Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium cuidam fideli meo meo[2] ministro vocitato nomine. EADPIG[6]. aliquam partem terre in loco qui dicitur. BRANTESTUN ócto mansas terre. ut habeat et possideat vitæ suæ. et post se. cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in æternam hæreditatem. Sit autem predicta terra libera cum omnibusque rite pertinentibus ad ipsum[7]. campis. pascuis. pratis. Excepto istis tribus expeditione. pontis. arcis suæ[8] instructione. Si quis vero 'quod' non optamus contra nostrum hoc decretum machinari vel infringere voluerit. Sciat se rationem graviter redditurum in die judicii. ante tribunal domini. nisi prius hic digna emendaverit ante mortem.

Þis[9] syndon þa land ge mæro to brantes tune of þes stod faldes east hyrnan ón þone pýt. of þam pytte on þone suðran beorh of þam beorge on þone þorn styb of þam stybbe to þes cumbe[s][10] heafde of þam cumbe on ge riht in on limenan[11] adún ⁊lang streames oð hit cymð on piliabýs on þone lytlan ðorn of þam

[1] Carta Eadpig Regis Anglorum de Brantiston, DCCCCLVI; rubric in B.
[2] *Sic*, A.
[3] l'a, *i.e.*, *vel* oracula, overline, A.; oracula, B.
[4] Orat., S.
[5] Regia, S.; regna, B.
[6] Eldpig, B.
[7] -sam, B.
[8] *Sic*, A.; arcisve, B.
[9] Boundaries omitted, B.
[10] -be, S.
[11] S. suggests that *limenan*, or the "Lime", may represent the old name of the River Trent.

ðorne on middan þone mere of þam mere on riht to þam lytlan broce up ⁊ land cumbes to þam sceardan beorge of þam sceardan beorge to þam rugan hlæpe óf þam rugan hlæpe on stan beo'rh óf stan beorge eft on þone stod fald .

Acta est autem hanc[1] donatio anno . DCCCCLVI . Incarnatione dominice Indictione . XIIII .

Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum hóc confirmavi titulo sancte crucis ✠ .
Ego Eadgar indoles corroboravi .
Ego Oda archipresul impressi .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi .
Ego Ósvlf[2] episcopus annui .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus dictavi .
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi[3] .

✠ Ælfsige[4] dux . (Æðelstan written above)	✠ Ælfgar minister .
✠ Æþelsig dux .	✠ Byrhtferð minister .
✠ Eadmund dux .	✠ Ælf . . . . minister .
✠ Ælfhere dux .	✠ Æþelmær minister .
✠ Æþelpold[5] dux .	✠ Ælfred minister .
✠ Æþelmund dux .	✠ Pulfric minister .

Endorsed :—✠ " Þis is seo land bóc to brantes tune þe Ead'pig' cing gebocade Eadpig his þegne ón ece yrfe ." ; *later*, " Bronteston . DCCCC . LV . Indictione XIV ."

[A.] Nearly contemporary charter (badly written and imperfect in places) in possession of the Marquess of Anglesey.
[B.] Mr. W. B. Sanders' transliteration in Ord. Surv. Facs. of Anglo-Saxon MSS., part iii, pl. penult.
[S.] Mr. Wynne's Peniarth MS. 150, p. 304.
Omitted by Kemble and Thorpe.

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979. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Æthelsige, of land at Heglinga ig, or Hayling Island, co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS IS ÞARA FIF HIDA BOC TO HEGLINGAIGÆ ÆT EAST STOCE ÞE ÆDPIG CING BOCODE ÆÞELSIGE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFÆ .

Regnante inperpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo . Mundi hujus stabilitas labentibus properanter temporibus regna quæ

[1] Hec. B. [2] Osulf, with v over the second o, A.; Osvlf, B. [3] ⁊ ceteri duces ⁊ ministri . XIII, B., and ends here. It is evident that B. was copied from this very deed, as the scribe counts thirteen without allowing for the correction in the name of the first dux. [4] Ælfsige underlined for alteration, as given above, A. [5] Æþel., S.

functi cum regibus velocissimo transeuntibus cursu licet stare videtur ! firmiter á priori statu cito labi nulli sapienti ignotum est et gaudia hic fallentis vite quatiuntur ac dissipantur.

Idcirco ego EADÞIC industrius Anglorum rex caeterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. primo anno imperii mei litteratoriis ápicibus roboravi quod cum consensu heroícorum virorum tradidi cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine. ÆÞELSIGE modicam numinis mei partem terrae. id est. v. mansas ágelluli aeternaliter tradendo concessi. ubi turborum collatione. jamdudum nomen illatum hoc adesse profertur. HEGLINGAIG æt east stoce. Quatinus ille bene perfruatur ac perpetualiter possideat quamdiu vivat. et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat céu supradiximus in aeternam hereditatem. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. Campis. Pascuis. Pratis. Silvis. sine expeditione. et pontis arcísve instructione. Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit ! Sciat in tremendo die judicii rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus ! Nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit. Istis terminis predicta terra circum gyrata esse videtur.

Ðis synt þa land ge mære to hæglinga iggæ æt east stoccæ ærest utt to þam ealdan stod faldæ fram þam stod faldæ to þam lea of þam lea innan ceanninga mære óf ceanninga mæræ utt on sæ.

Acta est hæc prefata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCLVI. indictione. XIIII.

Ego Eadþig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis conclusi.
Ego Eadgar Ejusdem regis frater cum sigillo sancte Crucis confirmavi.
Ego Oda Dorobornensis aecclesiæ archiepiscopus ejusdem regis donationem sub sigillo sanctæ crucis conclusi.
Ego Ælfsige Wintoniensis æcclesiæ episcopus testitudinem sancte crucis subscripsi et confirmavi.
Ego Cenþald Episcopus subscripsi et consensi.
Ego Oscytel Episcopus subscripsi et consignavi.
Ego Osulf Episcopus subscripsi et corroboravi.
Ego Ƿulfsige Episcopus subscripsi et confirmavi.
Ego Byrhtelm Episcopus subscripsi et Adquievi.
Ego Alfþold Episcopus subscripsi et conclusi.
Ego Æþelstan Dux. Ego Æþelmund Dux.
Ego Eadmund Dux. Ego Æþelsige Dux.
Ego Byrhtferd Dux. Ego Ælfheah Dux.

Ego Ƿulfric minister.
Ego Æþelgeard minister.
Ego Ælfheah minister.
Ego Byrhferd minister.
Ego Ælfhære minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfred minister.
Ego Æþelƿold minister.
Ego Ƿulfgar minister.
Ego Cynesige minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfric minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 100. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCIII; from [A.]

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980. *The Lady Ælfgifu's*[1] *bequest of the land mentioned in No.* 979.

Her spytelað on þisum ge pritæ þæt ÆLFGIFU seo hlefdige bæ cpeð. V. hida æt HEILINCIGÆ into ealdan mynstræ. And heo bæ cpæð Ƿulfpeardæ hpitan. V. hida of þam ilcan landæ his dæg. And æftre his dæge ga þa. V. hida in to ealdan mynstræ. þus seo hlæfdige hit bæ cped Ƿulfpeardæ. þa pes Ƿulfpeard gyrnendæ þæt hæ mostæ of gan his deg þa. V. hida. þæ pæron into mynstre bæ cpeðene. And sæ bisceop Stigandæ and sæ hiræd on ealdan mynstræ him þæs gætiþodon pið scplcon gersumen spylce hi þa sehtte pæron. Nú pæron þus heora forepæarð þæt Ƿulfpeard hebbæ þa. V. hida his dæg. And æftær his dæge ga þa. V. hida into ealdan mynstræ. And þa oþræ. V. hida forð mið þæ seo hlæfdige him bæ cpæð. mid mæte ⁊ mid mannum ⁊ mid eallum þingum spa hít þonnæ stænt butan ælcon geantalæ.

Ðises ís to pitnæssæ Stigandæ[2] bisceop. And Harold eorl. And sæ hired on ealdan mynstræ. And Ælfpine abbud. And sæ hired on nipan mynstræ. And Leofing stæallære. And Raulf stæallære. And Æscar steallære. And Eadsige scir geræfa. And Ƿulfric æt Ƿernæforda[3]. And Ælfpine. And Ælfpeard. And Cupping. And eallæ scirþegnas on hamtunscire.

Þissæ ge prita syndon. III. an is on ealdan mynstræ. And þæt oþær ís on nipan mynstre. And þæt þridde heafð Ƿulfpearð.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 100*b*. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCCXXXVII; from [A.]

[1] Probably Ælfgifu Emma, wife of King Cnut; she contributed the head of St. Valentine to Newminster, Winchester, in A.D. 1041 (*Angl.-Sax Chron.*, *ad an.*). She died A.D. 1051-2.
[2] Stigand, Bishop of Winchester, A.D. 1047-1052.
[3] Warnford, co. Hants.

981. *Grant by King Eaduuig to Abingdon Abbey, of land at Gæinge, or Ging, in the parish of Hendred, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EDPI[1] DE GAING.

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro[2] Christo . qui cuncta patris imperio ac pariter sancti spiritus gratia vivificante disponit plerumque sicut notum est contingere solet pro incerta futurorum temporum vicissitudine ut ea que prius multarum fidelium personarum testimonio roborata fuerunt fraudulenter per contumatiam posterum[3] et machinamenta simulacionis sine ulla consideratione rationis periculo se dissipentur nisi auctoritate litterarum . ⁊ testimonio cirographorum eterne memorie inserantur .

Quapropter ego EADUUIG[1] regali delibutus unguine ceptrigeraque[4] gentis Anglorum monarchia altitroni[5] favente clementia sublimatus celestis regni inflammatus desiderio omnipotenti Christo ejusque beate ⁊ gloriose[6] genitrici semper virgini Marie gratulabundo corde largior et concedo possessionem . X . mansarum in loco qui celebri vocabulo nuncupatur . GAINGE . cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . aquis . ABBANDUNENSI[7] cenobio ad usum monachorum regulariter inibi degentium . Vt hec possessio perpetuo jure mancipata subjaceat . Igitur hanc méé munificentie dominationem eternaliter ceteris cedulis[8] prescribo . propter contentiosam[9] et minacem quorundam tirannidem qui eandem terram sibi usurpare moliti sunt . ⁊ si quandoque tempus oportunum illis suppeteret se violenter hanc invadere . ⁊ a predicto cenobio penitus auferre comminati sunt . ⁊ ut hoc mee donationis cirographum veteri concordetur privilegio . Hoc quoque tam mea quam Dei omnipotentis auctoritate precipio . ut nunquam ullius hominis altior aut inferior persona hanc méé donationis portionem á prefato cenobio occasione qualibet auferre temeraria audeat . Set hæc eadem possessio ab omni terrene servitutis jugo eternaliter libera permaneat . exceptis tribus rata videlicet expeditione pontis . arcisve restauratione . Qui hoc benigna mentis intentione atque inlesa[10] cogitatione custodierit eterna claritate cum omnibus sanctis in regno celorum sine fine letetur . coronetur ⁊ glorificetur . Si quis autem quod absit tirannica cupiditate instinctus hoc méé beneficentie munus seculari potentia fretus obviare presumserit eterne malediccioni subjaceat cum Juda proditore Christi[11] ⁊ in inferno inferiori cum diabolo ⁊

[1] Eadwi, B. [2] Jhesu, added, B. [3] -rorum, B. [4] Scept., B.
[5] -throni, B. [6] ⁊ gl., omitted, B. [7] -don-, B. [8] Sced., B.
[9] Contentionem, the latter part over an erasure, B. [10] Ill., B. [11] Chr. pro., B.

angelis ejus eternaliter crucietur nisi digna satisfactione emendaverit quod contra nostrum deliquit decretum . cum divina Dei omnipotentis auctoritate roboratum .

Istis[1] terminis circumgirata assertur . ante scilicet supradicta terra . Ðis[1] sind þa land ge mæro to Gæinge . [2]Ærest of lillan hlæpe[3] crundele middepeardan to loddera[4] beorge þonne[5] to grenan hlince pestepardan[6] of þan[7] hlince to earnes dune pestepearde . þonne[5] to holan dic eastpearde and lang þære[8] dic tpa furlang[9] norð peard ðonne[5] east be heafdan[10] tpa furlang ⁊lang fura[11] ⁊lang peter dene pest to þære[12] deopan dene . of þære dene[13] to þan[7] readan stane . of þan[7] stane eft on lillan hlæpe[3] crundele .

Ad[14] confirmandum vero hoc me'e' beneficientie munus . Anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCC . LVI . Indiccione . XIIII[a] . donatum . Hi[14] testes extiterunt quorum inferius nomina scripta adesse videntur .

✠ Ego Eadpig gratia Dei totius Britannice telluris rex meum donum proprio sigillo roboravi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .
✠ Ego Oda Dorobornensis ecclesie archipresul alme crucis signo corroboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsinus Uuintoniensis ecclesie divinus speculator proprium sigillum impressi .
✠ Ego Cenpald celesti signo adfui .
✠ Ego Oscytel placabili mente consensi .
✠ Ego Osulf non renui .
✠ Ego Uulfsige confirmavi .
✠ Ego Brihtelm adquievi .
✠ Ego Alfpold consignavi .
✠ Ego Aðulf conclusi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Æðelstan dux .
✠ Ego Brihtferð dux .
✠ Ego Aþelmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux .
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux .

[1] This sentence omitted, B. [2] He sunt mete possessionis in Geing Anglice divise, rubric in B. [3] Hlæpes, B. [4] -re, B. [5] þanon, B. [6] -peardan, B. [7] þam, B. [8] þære, B. [9] -lanc, B. [10] Hæfdan, B. [11] Fura on lytlan pil . andlang pylles on lacing broc . Andlang broces eft on Gæing broc . andlang broces on þa æpylma . þanon andlang bearpabes on frigedæges treop . of þam treop andlang peter, etc., B. [12] þere, B. [13] Of þære dene, omitted, B. [14] This sentence omitted, B., but the witnesses as follow :—Ego Eadwi rex meum donum proprio sigillo roboravi . ✠ . Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater . Ego Odo archiepiscopus . Ego Ælfsinus episcopus . Ego Kenwald episcopus . Et multi alii consenserunt et subscripserunt .

✠ Ego Ælfsige minister. ✠ Ego Brihtferð minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfric minister. ✠ Ego Alfƿold minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister. ✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister. ✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister. ✠ Ego Æþelƿold minister.
✠ Ego Uulfric minister. ✠ Ego Ƿulfgar minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister. ✠ Ego Ælfred minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 47.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 111. Boundaries at f. 191b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXCIV; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 1–6; *cf.* vol. ii, p. 513, for date of December. A.D. 956.

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982. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Eadric, of land at Meon co. Southampton.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . L . HIDA BOC ÆT MEÓNÆ ÞE EDƿIG CING GÆBOCODE EADRICE HIS ÞÆGNE ON ECE YRFÆ.

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Sacre[1] autem scripturæ et edicta fona catholicorum patrum nos admonent ut memores simus quandoquidem transeuntis mundi vicissitudo cotidiæ per incrementa temporum crescendo decrescit. et ampliando minuitur. cresbrescentibusque repentinis variorum incursum ruinis vicinus finis terminus esse cunctis in proximo cernitur. Idcirco vanis ac transibilibus rebus mansura cælestis patriæ premia mercande sunt.

Quapropter ego EADƿIG rex Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine EADRICO. modicam partem terræ. Id est. L. mansas concedo in illo loco ubi ruricole appellativo usu ludibundisque vocabulis nomen indiderunt. ÆT MEÓNE. quatinus ille bene perfruatur ac perpetualiter possideat dum hujus labentis ævi cursum transeat inlesus atque vitalis spiritus in corruptibili carni inhereat. et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat sicuti prediximus in æternam hereditatem. Sit 'autem' prædictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis. Pratis. Pascuis. Silvis. Excepto istis tribus expeditione. pontis arcis constructione. Hanc vero meam donationem quod opto absit á fidelium mentibus minuentibus atque frangentibus. fiat pars eorum cum illis de quibus e contra fatur. "Discedite á me maledicti in ignem

[1] *Cf.* No. 775.

æternum qui paratus est Sathanæ et satellibus ejus". Nisi prius digna Deo pœnitentia veniam legali satisfactione emendaverit. Predicta siquidem tellus hís terminis circumcincta clarescit.

Ðis synt þa land ge mera ærest of cit para beca on bremnes beorh be þære fyr on spedige ðorn ⁊ lang peges to luhesforda of luhesforda. ⁊ lang peges út to lang port. ⁊ lang dæne ut on þa caldan rode ofer bord dene on punces[1] hyl. of pungces[1] hyl on ryþeres heafod. of ruðeres heafde on rindesele þonan ón sædeles sceate steórte utan clað heale. of clað leahe utan ác sceates forð. of ac sceates forda úp on sceaftles oran of sceaftles oran út to heofes bricge andlang scíre on hpeðels heal of hpæðeles heale ⁊ lang hlude burnan of hludeburnan forð ⁊ lang peges up to penne[1] of penne[1] be pyrttruman ut to popbincg[1] ⁊ lang popbincg[1] ut an tihel leahe. of tihel leahe utan ham pudelace ⁊ lang ham pudelace utan greot burnan ⁊ lang greot beornan to cirscumbe lace of cirscumbe lace on mearc ham on ꝥ heop[1] bæc of ðam heop[1] bæce up on bryttes oran on medeman oran nyþe peardne ðonan and lang lea fore peardne ⁊ lang langan lea on finces stapel of finces stapole ⁊ laug puda of æscstede get. of æscstede geate ⁊ lang puda on citpara mearce ⁊ lang bæces to citpara becon.

Hæc carta scripta est. Anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCC. LVI. Indictione. XIIII.

Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Eadgar Ejusdem regis frater consensi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus Presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus adquievi.
Ego Alfpold episcopus non rennui.
Ego Pulsige episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Aþulf episcopus subscripsi.
Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi.
Ego Æðelstan dux.

Ego Eadmund dux.	Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Æþelstan dux.	Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfhere dux.	Ego Ælfpine minister.
Ego Æþelsige dux.	Ego Pulgar minister.
Ego Æþelpold dux.	Ego Pulfric minister.
Ego Ælfheah dux.	Ego Ælfgar minister.
Ego Ælfsige minister.	Ego Ælfheah minister.

[1] The p and ƿ in these words are only conjecturally distinguished.

Ego Ælfred minister. Ego Ælfpig minister.
Ego Æðelgearð minister. Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego Byrthferd minister. Ego Ælfsige minister.
Ego Ælfric minister. Ego Ælfpold minister.
Ego Æðelmer minister. Ego Eadpold minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 38b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCXC; from [A.]

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983. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Wynsicge, of land at Mordune,*[1] *co. Hants.* A.D. 956.

ÐIS IS ÞARA . XX . HIDÆ BOC ÆT MORDUNE ÞÆ EDPIG CING GÆBOCODE PYNSIGE HYS ÞÆGNE ON ECE YRFÆ.

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Summo et ineffabili rerum curatore ac moderatore omnium! Cunctis fidelibus in hac vita degentibus certum est quod dierum terminum summus kyrius constituet ut proposuerat. Ideo nunc nobis agendum est cunctis ut in hoc instantis labentisque vitæ pæne transcurso curriculo cum bonis actibus futuræ beatitudinis felicitatem adipisci mereamur. Quam ob causam ego EADPIC. tocius Brittannicæ telluris archons hilari vultu menteque preclara cuidam meo fideli mynistro quem vocitant nonnulli noto vocamine. PYNSICGE. XX. cassatos perpetuo cyrographo corroboro. illo in loco quem solicole vocitant. ÆT MORDUNE. ut possideat et firmiter teneat usque ad ultimum cursum vitæ suæ cum omnibus utensilibus quæ Deus cælorum in ipso telluris gramine creavit. tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus Campis. Pascuis. Pratis. Silvis. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni fiscali tributo seculariumque servitutum exinanitum. sine expeditione. et pontis arcisvæ instructione. Hanc vero meam donationem quod opto absit á fidelium mentibus minuentibus atque frangentibus. fiat pars eorum cum illis de quibus é contra fatur. "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem eternum qui paratus est Sathane et satellitibus suis"! Nisi prius digna Deo pœnitentia veniam legali satisfactione emendent. Predicta siquidem tellus istis terminis circumcincta clarescit.

Dis[2] synt þa land ge mero to Mordúne ærest of headdam dune slade nyðer on hred burnan and lang burnan on purf. ⁊lang streames on foslace. þonne ⁊lang foslace on þara ecera ⁊ heafda an lang þære heafda on éttan pǽn on þonne ellém stub þonon á be ecge on þa medemunge of þære medemunge nyðer on þone ealdan piðig. þonon on hnottan forð of ðam forda on þone ealdan pylle þonon eft on headdan dune sled.

[1] See No. 783. [2] *Cf.* very similar boundaries in No. 788.

Hæc carta caraxata est . Anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC LVI . Indictione . XIIII .

Ego Eadpic Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Eadgar Ejusdem regis frater consensi .
Ego Oda Archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi .
Ego Ælfsynus Presul sigillum agyæ crucis impressi .
Ego Cenpold episcopus consignavi .
Ego Oscytel episcopus adquievi .
Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non rennui .
Ego Aþulf Episcopus confirmavi .
Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi .

Ego Æþelstan dux .	Ego Cynesige minister .
Ego Eadmund dux .	Ego Ælfsige minister .
Ego Æþelstan dux .	Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Ælfhere dux .	Ego Alfgar minister .
Ego Æþelsige dux .	Ego Byrhtferþ minister .
Ego Aþelpold dux .	Ego Eadric minister .
Ego Ælfsige minister .	Ego Ælfpine minister
Ego Æþelgeard minister .	Ego Ælfric minister .
Ego Ælfheah minister .	Ego Ælfpig minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f 41b.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXXV; from [A.]

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984. *Grant by King Eadwig to his "homo" Eadric, of land at Peadan wurðe, or Padworth, co. Berks.* A.D. 956.

CARTA REGIS EADWII DE PEDANWRÞE[1] .

Regnante perenniter[2] Christo quid enim est in hac vita melius quam his terrenis caducisque celestia ⁊ mansura mercari quia omne quod videtur temporaliter deficit id vero quod non videtur sine intermissione permanebit .

Quamobrem ego EADWIG rex Anglorum ac tocius Britannice[3] telluris gubernator ⁊ rector cuidam meo homini vocitato nomine . EADRIC . modicam partem terre . id est . V . cassatos perpetualiter concedo illic ubi vulgari vocabulo dicitur ÆT PEADANPYRÐE[4] . Amodo cum securitate nostrum donum vita comite sibi usurpet se obeunte cuicumque voluerit in carissima[5] perenne[6] impertiat cum

[1] -purþe, A. 2 [2] Perhen., A. 2 [3] Britt., A. 2 [4] -pyrðe, A. 2
[5] Carisma, A. 2

campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Hæc tellus á cuncto sit immunis servitu . nisi pontis ꝧ arcis ac expeditionis juvamine . Si quis vero minuerit hanc donationem . sciat se reum omni hora vite sue ꝧ tenebrosum Tartarum non evadere .

Istis[1] terminis hæc tellus ambita videtur . Ðis sind þa land gemæro[2] to peadanpyrðe[3] . Ærest of ælflæde[4] gemæra norð on þone hagan ꝧ lang hagan on standan þonne[5] on þa dic ꝥ þonne[6] on þa ea ꝧlang ea on ðone mulen ger[7] þonan[8] ꝧlang ðære mylen dic eft on þa ea ꝧlang ea . oþ þa byrcg[9] ꝧ se mylen stede ꝧ ꝥ land be norþan éa . þe þær to[10] hyrð . ꝧ þara oxena pic . ꝧ seo[11] mæd on tun ege þe þær[12] midrihte to gebyreð ꝧ seo east mearc eal se haga sceat[13] eft[14] on ælflæde mearce ꝧ þa per læra ꝧ seo mead be norþan ea ꝧ þa hammas þa þer midrihte to ge byriað .

Hæc carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis DCCCC . LVI . indiccione . XIIII[a].

[15]✠ Ego Eaduuig Rex Anglorum[16] . indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater concessi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Cenuuald episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Aþulf[17] episcopus non renui .
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund Dux .
✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux .
✠ Ego Æþelsige Dux .
✠ Ego Ælfhere Dux .
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister .
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuine minister .
✠ Ego Ælfric minister .
✠ Ego Ælfmær minister .
✠ Ego Uulfgar minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuig minister .
✠ Ego Eadric minister .

[A. 1] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 57.
[A. 2] *Ibid.*, f. 58.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCIV; from [A. 1.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, pp. 230, 235.

1 Mete de pedanpurþe, rubric in A. 2. 2 -re, A. 2. 3 purþe, A. 2. 4 Ælflede, A. 2. 5 þonan, A. 2. 6 ðonon, A. 2. 7 Mylenger, A. 2. 8 -on, A. 2. 9 Brycg', A. 2. 10 -ðærto, A. 2. 11 Se, A. 2. 12 þar, A. 2. 13 Scet, A. 2. 14 Est, A. 1, K., S.; est altered to eft. A. 2. 15 *Testes:* rubric in A. 2. 16 Anolorum, A. 2. 17 Auulf, A. 2.

985. *Grant by King Eadwi to Wistan, of land at Leofsige's gete, Nadder, on the River Nadder, co. Wilts.* A.D. 956.

ÞIS IS ÞÆRE . IIII . HIDA LAND BOC BE NODDRE ÞE EADƿI CING GE BOCODE ƿISTANE ON ECHE YRFE .

Sapientiam Dei propter culpam protoplasti carnem nostram induere aut[1] dubium est . Verbo igitur incarnato terra diu despecta visitur ab angelis . discordia extinguitur . pax intromittitur . ac si cyrographo diaboli exinanito gratia pro gratia regnat in mundo .

Cui etiam dono ego EADƿI . rex Anglorum gratulabundus insisto . Ac per caritatem quam late infudit in cordibus nostris misericordia Dei ditari dispono meos quosque fideles . Huic quoque meo fideli . ƿISTANO nomine . IIII . mansas concedo in hereditatem perpetualiter possidendam tradendamque cuicumque voluerit heredi cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus pratis pascuis . primo anno regni mei . Incarnatione dominica . DCCCC . LVI . Indictione . XIIII .

Ƿis synt þa land gemære . Æt leofsiges gete up to þare dic . þonne up to þam ðorne . þonne up to grimes dic . ⁊lang dic to oþerum ðorne . þonne ta[2] ðam grægan stane . þonne to þam ƿudu ƿege þat hit sticat innan nodre . þonne ⁊lang noddre þat hit sticað on eatstanes land scare þat hit sticað up to herþoþe .

Ego Eadƿi rex hoc donum signaculo crucis impressi .
Ego Odo archiepiscopus corroboravi .
Ego Ælfsige episcopus adfui .
Ego Osulf episcopus annui .
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus subveni .
Ego Brihtelm episcopus conspiravi .
Ego Ælfƿold episcopus adnotavi .
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi .

Aeþelstan dux	Aelfheah minister .
Aðelsie dux .	Aelfsige minister .
Eadmund dux .	Aðelmær minister .
Aelfhere dux .	Aðelgerd minister .
Aðelmund dux .	Alfred minister .
Byrhtferð dux .	Alfƿine minister .

Quisquis igitur hoc nostrum decretum amplificando minuerit talionem recipiat beatitatis . Sin autem quod absit frangere quis temptaverit lucens penas arguatur rapine et cupidis ;

[A.] MS. Harl. [illegible]
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. [illegible]; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii. p. [illegible]
Cf. Hoare, Mod. Wilts, [illegible] Hund., p. [illegible]

[1] *Fo.*, haud.
[2] Sic, MS.

986. *Grant by King Eadwig to his relative Byrhtelm, Bishop-elect of Wells, of land at Stowe, (?) Stow-on-the-Wold, co. Gloucester.* A.D. 956.

✠ ÞIS IS ÞARA V. HIDA BOC ÆT STOÞE ÞE EADÞIG CING GEBOCODE BYRHTELME HIS MÆGE ON ECE YRFE.
CARTA EDWII REGIS CUIDAM PRIORI CONCESSIT ISTAM TERRAM. DE STOWE.

✠ Summo almæ et individuæ trinitatis fatimine. Egregius symphonista sanctæ prædicationis hortator talem protulit sententiam dicens. "Omnia nuda[1] sunt et aperta coram domini oculis et a luce prima usque ad conticinium unius cujusque actus prospicit". Ideo ego EADWIG totius Albionis insulæ illustrissimus archons cuidam meorum charorum propinquorum qui per Dei providentiam ad episcopalem gradum electus necnon predestinatus feliciter conscendit. [ ] BYRHTELM. V. mansas in æternam stabilitatem concessi apud locum ubi vulgari dicitur nomine ÆT STOÞE ut vita comite sicut optamus possideat. [ ] post discessum vero sui componat æternaliter quem desideravit heredem sibi cum omnibus [ad eam] rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. expeditionis pontis et arcis non expers sit hoc donum sed ceterarum rerum. Si quis vero tyrannica inflatus potestate infringere temptaverit hujus nostri decreti chirographum sciat se coram Christo et angelis ejus in tremendo examine rationem redditurum nisi hoc prius emendare satagerit.

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus.

Þis sint þa land gemæro in to stoþe.

Ærest of þam halgan þylles forda suð andlang pætlinga stræte on hludan þylles [broc] ⁊ lang broces on þa fyrdstræt ⁊ lang þære stræt on þa oþre stræt ⁊ lang þære stræt on ramboldes[2] dene adune [ ] þyl adune ⁊ lang streames eft on halgan þylles ford.

Hæc carta scripta est Anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCC. LVI. indictione. XIIIIa.

✠ Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
✠ Ego Cenþald episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus confirmavi.

[1] Munda, K. [2] Rum., K.

✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.

✠ Æþelstan dux.	Ælfgar minister.
Eadmund dux.	Ælfpold minister.
Æþelstan dux.	Aþelpold minister.
Æþelsige dux.	Ælfric minister[1].

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 159. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclxix; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 462.

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987. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wulfhelm, of land at Easton and Bearre, near Winchester, co. Southampton.* A.D. 957.

✠ Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCCLVII[2]. indictione. XV. Ego EADRED. divina allubescente gratia rex et primicherius Albionis aliquantulam ruris partem 'quinis' ab accolis estimatam mansiunculis in loco qui dicitur ÆT EASTUN ⁊ ÆT BEARRE. ministro meo ƿULFHELMO, pro ejus placabili merito liberam preter arcem pontem expeditionemque imperpetuum jús libenter admodum concedo quatinus diebus vitæ suæ possideat et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi imperpetuum jus derelinquat. Quod si quisque quod non optamus hujus donationis cartulam adnichilare temptaverit ! coram Christo se rationem redditurum agnoscat.

Ego Eadred Rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sanctæ crucis impressi.
Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi.
Ego Oscytel episcopus corroboravi.
Ego Ælfsige episcopus confortavi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus favi.
Ego Cenpald episcopus dictavi.
Ego Osulf episcopus firmavi.
Ego Daniel episcopus subarravi.

[1] "Multa hic non quivi legere set conjectavi ut potui. Owen.", added here, MS.

[2] K. inserts [x] in this date, and places this charter among those of A.D. 947. The indiction 15 is right for A.D. 957, but Eadred died in A.D. 955. The charter was probably issued in 957 by Eadwig, but the transcriber has seen fit, for some reason of his own, to insert King Eadred's name instead.

Ego Ælfhere Dux .	Ego Ælfgar minister .
Ego Æðelstan Dux .	Ego Byrhtferd minister .
Ego Æðelsige Dux .	Ego Ælfheah minister .
Ego Æþelpold Dux .	Ego Ælfpine minister .
Ego Eadmund Dux .	Ego Eadric minister .
Ego Æðelstan Dux .	Ego Ælfred minister .
Ego Byrhtnoð Dux .	Ego Æðelgeard minister .

Ðis syndon þara fif hida land ge mæra æt Eastune æt beárre . Ærest on stræt léa . on þonæ micclan díc æt bearre . of þære micclan dice . on ꝥ stan ge delf . of þone stan gé delfe . on þone ealda ad . of þone ealdan ad . ꝥ hit cymeð tó cynges gé mære . and lang cynges ge maero . ꝥ hít cymeð . to ðam fulan sithre . of þone fulan sithre on ꝥ dic æt tan léa . ⁊ spá æfter dice ꝥ in bradanburnan andlang bradan burnan in ðæne bróc æt reod lege and lang brocæs ꝥ hit cymeð in ðæne forð . of þam forda on þa stræte and lang stræte ꝥ æft into strét líe .

Eadred cyning bitteð ⁊ halsað on ðere halgan ðrimnæsse . nomine Dei patris et filii et spiritus sancti . ꝥte nan món ðurh deofles seáru cræft ge ðristlice his cynelican gefe on poh geponían gif hit hpa dó gepreccen hit diuflu on helle píte[1] butan he hit ær ge bæte for Gode ⁊ for porulde spa hím riht pisie . Pax Christi nobiscum . Amen .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 74b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLV; from [A.]

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988. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Athelgard, of land at Stottan Wyll, or Satwell (?), on the River Thames, near Mackney Island, and Wallingford, co. Berks.* A.D. 957.

PRIVILEGIUM DE STOTWELL , CONCESSUM A REGE EDWYO , ANNO PRIMO REGNI SUI .

Christo Theo , in saeculorum saecula , cœlum terramque regente , humanum genus ab ortu suo fluere usque ad mortem deficiendo videtur . Sed pius omnium virtutum amator , qui nos cupit devitare malum sectarique bonum , quotidie de lacrymarum valle ad cœlestia regna , quæ nostrarum mentium sensus excedunt , ire feliciter monstrat , quia æterna sanctorum gaudia nunc[2] cogitatione penetrari possunt .

Quapropter ego EDWYUS , Rex Anglorum , ac totius Britannicæ telluris gubernator et rector , primo anno imperii mei , literatoriis

[1] Pite, K. [2] Nunquam, E.

apicibus roboravi, quod consensu heroicorum virorum tradidi cuidam meo fideli ministro, vocitato vocabulo ATHELGARDO, pro ejus benevolo obsequio, aliquam portionem terræ perenniter mente devota concedo, id est, quindecim mansas in illo loco ubi prisca relatione vulgariter nomen insitum rite cognoscitur, ÆT STOTTANPILLE, ut terram jam præfatam, meo scilicet ovante concessu, tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ. Deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicumque voluerit hæredi derelinquat; seu prædixi, in æternam hæreditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jucundum, cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur, tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus, campis, pascuis, pratis, silvis, excepto communi labore, expeditione, pontis, arcisve coædificatione. Si quis vero hoc nostrum karisma, aliqua machinatione infringere conatus fuerit, veniam non hic mereatur, nec in futuro regni cœlestis clavigerum propitium habeat, nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem emendare voluerit.

His terminis hæc terra ambitur:—

Ærest of Maccaniges forda andlang stræte ut on Temese oð midne stream, andlang streames to holan pylle þære gerit; of holan pylle up andlang dic to Brycgpege, andlang Brycgpeges an furlang; of Brycgpege to meosdene; andlang meosdene pið easten Meldanige oð midne mor, up andlang mores on Langanforda suðpeardne, andlang Langanforda oð Maccanige, spa be Maccaniges pirðland spa spa oxa peut, and spa on Maccaniges[1] forda suðpeardne.

In lingua Anglica:—

Fyrst, begyn on Maccanyagford along the strete up to Temese to the myd streme, a long the stremys to the hole pylle that hangyth ther to, fro the hole pylle up a long the dyche to Brycwege, a long Brycwege a furlang, fro Brycwege to Moosdene, and than a long Moosden by est Meldynige to the myd more, and than a long the morys to Langford, suthward Langford to Maccanynge, so by Maccanynges ouyrtwert lond so as the rytheryn goo, and so a yen to Maccanyngford suthward.

In lingua Latina—

Imprimis incipe apud vadum de Maccanynges per longum pertranseundo vicum illum recte super Tamisiam, in medium fluminis, a longo illorum decursuum ad illum concavum puteum adjacentem; ab illo puteo a superioribus per longum illius fossæ quousque pervenitur ad Brykwege; a longo Brykwege unius stadii spatio, a Brykwege ad Moosdene, et tunc per longum Moosdene ex oriente, locum pertranseuns qui vocatur Meldynige ad medium paludem; et tunc per longum paludes quousque perveneris ad Langford; ex austro Langford ad Maccannyng, sic per Maccannynges obliquam terram, secundum quod animalia pertranseunt, et tunc iterum per austrum ad Maccanyngford.

[1] -ged, F.

Hæc carta scripta est anno Dominicæ incarnationis DCCCCLVII . indictione . XV . :—

✠ Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi .
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi .
✠ Ego Ælsinus præsul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi .
Ego Byrthelm episcopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi .
✠ Ego Aðulf episcopus conclusi .

✠ Æðelstan dux .	✠ Æþelmær minister .
✠ Æadmund dux .	✠ Ælfric minister .
✠ Ælfhere dux .	✠ Eadric minister .
✠ Æðelsige dux .	✠ Pulfgar minister .
✠ Æþelpold dux .	✠ Ælfsige minister .
✠ Byrhtnoð dux .	✠ Ælfpig minister .
✠ Ælfheah minister .	✠ Byrnric minister .
✠ Ælfsige minister .	✠ Ælfric minister .
✠ Ælfgar minister .	✠ Pulfric minister .
✠ Byrhtferð minister .	✠ Eadric minister .
✠ Ælfred minister .	✠ Cyneric minister .
✠ Ælfpine minister .	✠ Cynesige minister .

[A.] *Liber de Hyda* [E.], ed. Edwards (Rolls ser.), p. 170.

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989. *Grant in reversion by Æðelgeard to Newminster, of the land mentioned in No.* 988.

Ic ÆDELGEARD an þæs landes æt STOTTANPELLE , ofer mine dæge , minra pifan hera dæge , and þonne on nipan mynstera on Pintanceaster , uncer begea saple þarfa ; þæm to brocon , and næfre utansellan .

[A.] *Liber de Hyda* [E.], ed. Edwards (Rolls ser.), p. 173.

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990. *Old English form of No.* 989.

I Athelgard ȝyve these londis at Schotwell , aftyr my day , my wyf to have here day , and than go they in to the Newe Monastery of Wynchester , for the helthe of owre bothe sowlys , hem to have and to rejoys , and never to do hem a wey .

[A.] *Liber de Hyda* [E.], ed. Edwards (Rolls ser.), p. 174.

991. *Latin form of No.* 989.

Ego Athelgardus do istas terras apud Schotwell, post obitum meum, uxori meo, ut ipsa eas possideat quamdiu vixerit, et post obitum suum remaneant novo monasterio Wyntoniæ, pro remedio animarum nostrarum, ut illud monasterium ipsas habeat ac possideat, et numquam eas a se alienet.

[A.] *Liber de Hyda* [E.] ed. Edwards (Rolls ser.), p. 174.

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992. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Æthelred, of land at Ubbantune, or Upton Lovel,*[1] *on the River Wiley, co. Wilts.* A.D. 957.

ÞIS HIS ÞARE . X . HIDA BOC ÆT UBBAN TUNE ÞE EADPIG CING GEBOCODE ÆÞERÆDE HIS ÞEINE ON ECHE YRFE.

Domino dominorum dominante. In secula seculorum regum regnorum hujus presentis seculi transeant sicut ignominica et omnes gloria et locus hujus mundi peribit et non sunt eterna sed superna eterna sunt.

V[n]de ego EADWIC rex Anglorum Cuidam meo fideli ministro quem vocitant non nulli noto vocamine. ÆÞELRED. X. mansas perpetualiter concedo. Illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur. ÆT UBBANTUNE. Eatenus ut hoc diebus suis possideat tramitibusque vite sue. Et postquam universitatis via adierit cuicumque voluerit eternaliter derelinquat. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo Cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscantur tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. Campis. pascuis. pratis. Silvis sine expeditione. et pontis. arcisve Instructione. Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit sciat se reum omni hora vite sue et tenebrosum Tartarum non evadere. nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit.

Predicta siquidem tellus istis terminis circumcincta clarescit.

Þis synt þa land gemere to Ubbantune. Aerest of langan forda on hagelune pestepearde. þonon forþ ȝlang dic on bicau brache ȝlang dic on hulsorh. þonon on hundes geat. of hundes geata spa cyurices gemære sceat ȝ ubbantuninga gemære on pilig þanne up ȝlang pilig eft on langan ford.

Hec carta caraxata est. Anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC LVII. Indictione. XV.

[1] See Hoare, Mod. Wilts, Branch and Dole Hund., p. 82.

Ego Eadƿig rex prefatam donationem concessi.
Ego Odo Archiepiscopus cum sigillo sancte crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agye crucis impressi.
Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi.
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus adquievi.
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus Corroboravi.
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus Subscripsi.
Ego Alfƿold episcopus Non renui.
Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi.

Eadmund dux.	Aeþelgeard miles.
Aeþelsige dux.	Aelfred miles.
Aelfgar miles.	Aelfric miles.
Byrhtferþ miles.	Aelfƿine miles.
Aelfheah miles.	Aelfƿig miles.
Aelfsige miles.	Cynric miles.

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 31. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXVIII; from [A.]

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993. *Grant by Koenƿald, Bishop of Worcester, to Behstan, Presbyter of Worcester Monastery, of lands at Tapanhala and Grimanhyll (? Grimley),[1] co. Worcester.* A.D. 957.

ÆT GRIMANHYLLE. BEHSTANE. ⁊ BYRHSTANE[2]. ⁊ GODƿINE[2].

✠ Gratia[3] Dei suffragante. KOENVVALD presul Hpicciorum confert cum consensu fraterno civitatis victoriæ. BEHSTANO ejusdem monasterii presbitero tribus in locis. et tribus post se heredibus ad TAPAHALAN. Cum hoc augmento pratorum. ac segetum. unius quoque cassatis ad GRIMANHYLLE usurpando silvis pratis ac pascuis preter urbis pontisque constructione. ac regali gymnasio. observans per clavem apostolicæ auctoritatis Petri. ut heredes fideliter agant sin alias vindicet Deus. Hec cartula charaxata est anno dominici[4] Incarnationis. DCCCC. L. VII. et eisdem[4] pontificis anno. XXVIIII. Ecce testes conscribentes presbiteri. et levitæ. et clerici. cum ceteris grates dabant dignissime.

✠ Koenƿald.	✠ Behstan.	✠ Ƿulfric.	✠ Æþelstan.
✠ Ƿulfnoð.	✠ Ælfred.	✠ Ƿulfr'.	✠ Eadstan.
✠ Osƿulf.	✠ Ælfric.	✠ Ƿulfhun.	✠ Cynsige.
✠ Cyneþegn cler'.		✠ Ælfstan.	

[1] Cf. *Domesday Book*, fol. 172*b*, for Grewanhil, which Bawdwen identifies in Add. MS. 27,769, f. 10, as Grimley. [2] These two persons are not mentioned in the body of the charter. [3] This charter appears to be, to a great extent, alliterative and poetical. [4] *Sic*, MS.

"Thesaurizate[1] vobis . thesauros in cœlo ubi est thesaurus tuus ibi erit et cor tuum" dixit Dominus "pax in cœlo . pax in terra . pax in plebe . Christiano . hodie cras et cotidie alpho et ó amen".

[A.] MS. Cotton. Tiberius A. xiii. f. 78.
[H.] Hearne's *Heming*, vol. i, p. 164.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLxvi; from [A.]

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994. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Lyfing, of land at Loceresleage and Tunewordе, near St. Alban's and the Watling Street. co. Herts.* A.D. 957.

[I]n nomine Dei et domini nostri Jhesu Christi veri[2] redemptoris mundi . Anno vero incarnationis Domini . DCCCCLVII . Indictione . XV. Ego EADPIG . omni creantis disponente clementia Angligenarum omniumque gentium undique secus habitantium Rex divina ductus amore ab eodem Deo et domino nostro populis et tribubus preordinatus in regem anno imperii mei . Secundo . non inmemor fui quomodo . et quam mirabiliter omnia supernus rector firme rationis serie gubernat atque custodit . Id circo cuidam meo fideli ministro quem vocitant nonnulli[3] noto vocamine . LYFING . IX . mansas . duobus in locis concedo . illic ubi Anglice dicitur . ÆT LOCERESLEAGE . ⁊ ÆT TUNEPEORÐE . ut habeat ac possideat . quandiu vivat. Et postquam universitatis viam adierit . Cuicunque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo Cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus Campis . Pascuis . Pratis . Silvis . Sine expeditione et pontis . arcisve instrictione[4] . Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit . Sciat se reum omni hora vite sue et tenebrosum Tartarum non evádere .

Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus . Þis sýnd ða land gemære æt loceresleaga ⁊ æt tunepeorðe . Ærest of tateburnan ⁊lang mærce on piðimære þonon ⁊lang mærce on holen riðe ⁊lang riðe on sulue[5] ðonon on piðipol þonon ⁊lang mærce on pætlingan[6] stræte to ðam tunstallan ⁊lang stræte oð tunpeorðinga gemære pest of pætlinga stræte ⁊ lang mærce on liuýssac[7] mere ðonon ⁊lang mærce on ða picstræte ⁊lang stræte to ðæs hredes[8] mærce æt Sancte Albane ðonon ⁊lang mærce on pætlingan stræte suð ⁊lang stræte on ða deopan fura þonon inon sulh[9] ðonon ⁊lang mærce to ðara apoldre þonon to ðam gemearceden stocce ðonon eft on tata-

[1] d', A.; Deus, K.
[2] Veni, MS.
[3] Nonulli, S.
[4] *Sic*, MS.
[5] Sulue, S.
[6] pætelingan, S.
[7] Lin., S.
[8] *Sic*, MS., perhaps for hirede; S. translates "the reed's march".
[9] Sulli. S.

burnan . ⁊ se puda gemæne þe into loceres leage hyrð oð ðæs cinges inpuda . ⁊ her is se puda ðe into tune peorde hyrð . of hylfes hæcce innon sulc up æftær sulue on ða holan riðe ⁊lang riðe on ðæt brade pæter þonon ⁊lang pætlingan strete to hylfes hæcce .

✠ Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum prefatam donationem concessi .

✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem Regis frater Celeriter consensi .

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo Sancte Crucis roboravi .

✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul agie Crucis impressi .

✠ Ego Byrhthelm . Episcopus Consignavi .

✠ Ego Cenpald . Episcopus Adquievi .

✠ Ego Oscetel . Episcopus Corroboravi .

✠ Ego Osulf . Episcopus Subscripsi .

✠ Ego Byrhthelm . Episcopus Non renui .

✠ Ego Aþulf . Episcopus Conclusi .

✠ Ego Æþelstan . Dux .	✠ Ego Ælfsige . Minister .
✠ Ego Eadmund . Dux .	✠ Ego Æthelgeard . Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfhere . Dux .	✠ Ego Ælfred . Minister .
✠ Ego Byrhtnoþ . Dux .	✠ Ego Ælfheah . Minister .
✠ Ego Æþelsige . Dux .	✠ Ego Pulstan . Minister .
✠ Ego Aþelpold . Dux .	✠ Ego Eadric . Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfheah . Dux .	✠ Ego Byrnric . Minister .

Ðis[2] synd ða landgemære tó . Batriceseie[3] . ꝟ Ærst at hégefre . fram hegefre ꝰ to gætenesheale . fram gætenesheale ꝰ to gryndeles syllen . fram gryndeles sylle ꝰ to russemere . fram ryssemere ꝰ to bælgenham[4] . fram bælgenham ꝰ to bernardes byrieles . ⁊ spa ðanon to þam blachemore ; fram blachemore ꝰ to ðam coppede ðorne ; fram ðam coppede ðorne ꝰ to bænces byri . spa ðonon[5] to bæueriðe[6] . Ealspa feor spa an man mæi mid anen bille ge purpen . ⁊ an friman ꝰ mid fif bere cornen . spa eft ongen ꝰ to fugele riðe . ðanon norð into temese . be middan streme . be healfen streame ꝰ eft into hégefre . ꝟ Herto ge byreð se pude þe hatte pænge[7] . seofen milen . ⁊ seofen furlang ꝰ and seofen fet embeganges .

Endorsed in a hand of the xvth century :—" Telligraphus Regis Edwii de terra de Loþeresley et Tomwerth concessa Liffyno ministro suo ."

[A.] Nearly contemporary copy. Westminster Abbey Charters iii. | [S.] Transliteration by Mr. W. B. Sanders in *Ord. Surv. Facs.*, part ii. pl. xx.

[1] Suluc, S. [2] These boundaries have no connection with this charter ; but appear to have some points of resemblance with those in No. 82, with which they may be compared. [3] Battersea, co. Surrey. [4] Balham, co. Surrey. [5] ðanon, S. [6] The Beverley River. [7] Penge, co. Surrey.

995. *Grant by King Edwy to Huna, of land at Lym, or Lyme-Regis,*[1] *co. Dorset.* A.D. 957.

CARTA REGIS EDWY FACTA DE LYM.

In nomine Dei omnipotentis patris et filii et spiritus sancti. Amen.

Adam Dei omnipotentis nutu protogenes ex informi materia creatus, in eodemque præcepto trinæ simplicitatis custodito, sine alicujus elementi perturbatione feliciter collocatus, culpa prævaricationis inventa exinde pariter expulsus, in has ærumpnosas orbis plagas, sicuti modo in suis postgenitis apparet, usque ad termini sui calcem mirabiliter vivens mortem minatam persolvit, et ad inferos pœnas luens decendit[2], ac deinde ejusdem dicti protogenis ampla innumerabilique per diversa quinque tonarum[3] liniamenta pullulante prosapia, non solum in patriarchis et prophetis verum etiam et in regibus cum cæteris diversi ordinis conditionibus, idem crimen eademque pœna quasi per debitum primæ prævaricationis ad operandam extunc naturaliter iniquitatem omnes jure constrinxit, quousque dominus noster Jhesus Christus Dei filius idemque hominis filius hiis humaniter Deo gratias subvenit specie[2] inmortalitatis attribuens et vitam post hanc mortem resurgendo permittens.

Quapropter ego EDWY largiflua summi tonantis providentia rex Anglorum et cunctigenarum Albionis populorum meæ amantissimæ necnon præ omnium anelantium generis humani dilectissimæ HUNAN nota[2] vocamine partem cujusdam telluris concedo in hereditatem perpetuam in loco ubi a ruricolis denominatur AT LYM. quatuor mansas cuicumque heredi licentiam tradendi habeat post se attestantibus pontificibus etiam et optimatibus quorum vocabula in hoc designantur privilegio. Interea vero ipsa terra præfata ab omni censu regali sit libera præter expeditione[2] contra hostes et renovationem pontis arcisve. Hoc siquidem factum est anno ab incarnatione dominica. DCCCC·LVII. Indictione. XIIII. anno mei imperii quarto.

Si quis tam credulus et tam perversus erit qui hanc cartam infringere conaverit iram sanctæ trinitatis incurrat, et a consortio omnium sanctorum sequestratus appareat et cum Juda traditore partem pœnalem per ævum possideat.

[1] The Abbey of Glastonbury, of which the MS. Wood 1 (which contains this text) is a register, possessed land here, noticed in *Domesday Book*, f. 77, b.
[2] *Sic*, MS. [3] Zonarum (?)

✠ Ego Edwi rex Anglorum Saxonum hoc donum cum triumpho agiæ crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Elfinus præsul confirmavi.
✠ Ego Brithelm pontifex consignavi.

[A.] MS. Bodl. Libr., Wood MS. I, f. 212*b*. (Kindly collated by Mr. G. Parker.)

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996. *Grant by King Eadwi to the thegn Eadric, of land at Leckampstead, co. Berks.*

CARTA DECEM CASSATORUM DE LECAMSTEDE.

In[1] nomine Dei summi ⁊ altithroni. qui omnia de summo celi apice visibilia ⁊ invisibilia ordinabiliter gubernans atque moderans presentisque vite curricula cotidie temporales possessiones ⁊ universe divitiarum facultates nostris humanis obtutibus cernimus deficientes ac decrescentes. Sic mutando fragilitas mortalis vite marcescit[2] ⁊ rotunda seculorum volubilitas inanescit. ac in carorum propinquorum amicorumque amissione conqueritur ac defletur.

Quapropter ego EADWI Angligenarum rex ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium fideli meo ministro vocitato nomine EADRICO ob illius amabile obsequium ejusque placabile fidelitate. x. mansas largiendo libenter concedens perdonabo illic ubi vulgus prisca relatione vocitat ÆT LECHAMSTEDE. Quatinus ille bene perfruatur ac perpetualiter possideat dum hujus labentis evi cursum transeat illesus atque vitalis spiritus in corruptibili carne inhereat. ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit perheuniter heredi[3] derelinquat. sicuti predixi. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus que rite ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in modicis Rebus. Campis. pascuis pratis silvis. excepto istius[4] expeditione pontis arcisve coedificatione. Insuper ad augmentum predicte donationis gratia unam molinam juxta dirivativis cursibus aquarum LAMBURNIAM[5] perpetuali donatione dedi predicto ministro.

Hoc tempore cachinnantes nenias subdolosi hujus seculi dinoscuntur interdum[6] inchoasse alienum lucrum sibi usurpative cum ambitione iniquitatis vendicare. Set[7] torpentes avaritie incessus omnimodo in nomine sancte trinitatis ab omnibus Christianis interdico ita ut meum donum corroboratum sit cum signaculo sancte crucis. Etiam si quis alium antiquum librum in propatulo protulerit nec sibi nec aliis proficiat set[7] in sempiterno graphio deleatur ⁊ cum justis non scribatur[8] nec audiatur. Denique vero si quis nobis non obtantibus nostrum hoc donum violari fraudulenter perpetrando consenserit. consideret hinc se die ultima judicii coram Deo rationem reddditurum. atque cum reprobis quibus dicitur "Discedite a me maledicti in ignem eternum" penis atrocibus se esse passurum si non antea corporea lamentatione emendaverit.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 116*b*.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 131*b*.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXVII; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 478.

[1] *Cf.* No. 789, A.D. 943, of which this appears to be an adaptation to the time of King Eadwi. [2] -ssit, B.; and so originally, but altered, A. [3] Heredi, omitted, S. [4] Istis, B.; istis tribus, K. [5] -nam, B. K. [6] Interdum, omitted, S. [7] Sed, B. K. [8] Scribantur, B.; and so originally, but altered, A.

997. *Deed by Byrhthelm, Bishop of London or Wells, setting out the proceedings connected with the restoration, by King Eadwig to the See of the Geuuissi or South Saxons at Selsey, of lands seized by Ælfsine at Selsey, and other sites, co. Sussex.* A.D. 957.

In nomine domini Jhesu Christi cosmi salvatoris. Anno secundo imperii Eadwiges totius Albionis insulæ imperantis, Ego BYRHTHELMUS divina dispensatione episcopus, humanæ conditionis non immemor quam brevis est vita hominis super terram, totum me in futurum extendere desidero et ad eterna erigere festino, ubi nostra "abscondita[1] est vita cum Christo in Deo"; atque ut amplior mihi hereditas in terra viventium reddatur, tota mentis aviditate crebro scrutatus sum qualiter terram quæ fraudulenter per quendam Ælfsinum nomine contra decretum sanctorum patrum Niceni consilii ab aecclesia arrepta[2] fuerat, ubi Geuuisorum, id est Australium Saxonum, præsul episcopali cathedra sublimari videbatur; id est .XLII. tributarios in illis locis qui vocantur SELESEIE, Wythringe, Iccenor, Bridham, Egesawyda, Brimesfasten, Sidlesham, cum aliis villis sibi cohærentibus, et cum omnibus ad se pertinentibus; necnon et terræ illius quæ appellatur Ældyngborna, Hlidesya .VII. cassatos; et in Geinstedesgate sex; [in Amberle][3] et in Hocton. VIII; et in Waltham quatuor; et in Mundeham. IX; id est. XXXII. tributariorum, pristino cui pertinebat episcopatui restituere voluissem[4].

Dum[5] igitur rimabar quibus vel qualibus carismatibus supradictum regem Eadwig mihi placare potuissem, ut mea petitione[6] terra restauraretur[7] præfato monasterio, cessit animo, quod centum mancusas obrizi auri in ejus devotionis obsequium attulissem; quod mox factum est. Accepto autem[8] præscripti auri pondere, hanc restaurationis cartam scribere jussit, et consentientibus episcopis, ducibus, omnibusque nostræ[9] gentis optimatibus, placido rex vultu denique me allocutus est[10]; dicens, "Habeto feliciter et possideto quamdiu vitalis flatus tuum aluerit corpus. Cum autem dissolutionis tuæ dies advenerit, nullus eligatur hæres sed ad eundem ubi episcopalis Australium Saxonum habetur[11] sedes perpetualiter[12] redeat locum; ita ut ex hoc inconvulso jure ipsius et Selesie præsulis usibus præfata terra mancipetur cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus campis, pascuis, pratis, silvis, capturis piscium".

[1] Coloss. iii, 3. [2] Erepta, B.; adempta, K. [3] B. [4] Vel, B.
[5] Unde, K. [6] In ea præsentia meo. K. [7] Restauretur, K. [8] Igitur, K.
-tratio, K. [10] Ita, added, K. [11] -bita, K. [12] -tuatur, K.

Maneat vero hæc possessio immunis ab omnibus secularibus negotiis, exceptis tribus, expeditionum cura[1], pontium arcisve cooperatione[2]. Si quis vero hoc nostrum carisma aliqua machinatione infringere conatus fuerit, veniam non hic mereatur nec in futuro regni cœlestis clavigerum propitium habeat, nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem emendare maluerit.

Prædicta[3] siquidem tellus hiis terminis circumcincta clarescit[4]. Ðis sinde ðæt land gemeare to Selesie, areste æt wedering muðe ða be sæ on cymeneres horan; swa west be sæ oð þri beorgas; forð be stronde to cwuenstane ⁊ forð be strande hon horemuden nord andlang floetes oð wealeflet. up on wealeflet oðþ þer brynes dic ut scyt; west andlang dice on woflet, est andlang floetes ⁊ suo suð to wederingemuðan.

Hæc carta scripta est anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCLVII. indictione. XV.

Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter[5] concessi. ✠.
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi[6]. ✠.
[7]✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælsinus præsul sigillum agiæ crucis inpressi.
✠ Ego Birhelm episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Cenwald episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Æðulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Owulf episcopus non renui.
✠ Æðelstan dux.
✠ Ædmund dux.
✠ Ælfere dux.
✠ Æðelwold dux.
✠ Æðelsige dux.
✠ Brihtnoð dux.
✠ Ælfheah miles.
Æðelgeard miles.
Ælfric miles.
Ælfyne miles.
Ælfred miles.
Ælfsige miles.
Ælfwig miles.
Ælfgar miles.
Brihtfurd miles.
Æðelfrad miles.
Wulfgar miles.

[1] ? in via. [2] Comparatione, K. [3] This paragraph omitted, K. [4] Tunc sequuntur bundæ prædictæ terræ in lingua Saxonica, added, instead of the boundaries, B. [5] -clinate, K. [6] Celeriter, added, K. [7] B., in place of this and the remaining lines, reads:—Æðelstan dux ✠. Eadwine dux ✠. Æðelwold dux ✠. Ælfinus presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi ✠. Ego Brihthelmus episcopus confirmavi ✠. Et multi alii episcopi duces et milites consenserunt, etc.

Wulfstan miles. Ædric miles.
Orduoð miles. Wulfric miles.

Kemble's collations of [A. B.] in Add. MS. 32,127, f. 231.
[A.] MS. A. xviii, penes Dec. et Cap. Cicestr.
[B.] MS. B. xviii, f. 7, penes Dec. et Cap. Cicestr.
[D.] Dugdale, *Mon. Angl.*, vol. vi, p. 1168.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. cccclxiv; from [D.]
[H.] Hardy's MSS. in Record Office.

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998. *Grant by King Eadwic to Osulf, Bishop of Ramsbury, of land at Stantune, or Stanton Fitz-Bernard,*[1] *co. Wilts.* A.D. 957.

ÞIS HIS ÞARE. XX. HIDA BOC ÆT STANTUNE ÞE EADWIG CING GE BOCODE OSULFE BISCOPE ON ECHE YRFE.

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi Celestis patrie hierarchus diversis gradibus sue largitatis largifluam donationem late distribuit. regibus. episcopis. principibus abbatibus. prepositis. quatinus unusquisque in suo ordine pro terreno lucro sibi commisso talento In die examinationis duplicatum negotium nulla obtinente segnitia representet. Nam ego EADƿIC rex. Anglorum in mei precordii penetralibus volutans quod merceciem[2] eterne beatitudinis recepturus sim si cunctis velle Dei subicientibus favere non recusabo veritas mellita sue orationis oracula protulit dicens. "date[3] et dabitur vobis".

Quapropter cuidem episcopo vocitato nomine. OSULFO. Cum mentis alacritate eternaliter. XX. mansas corroboro. In illo loco ubi plebili narratione dicitur. ÆT STANTUNE. Eatenus ut talis donatio sit fixa et immobilis permaneat quam diu religio ecclesiastice sanctionis obtinetur et posteritatis sue sucessori cuicumque voluerit Ceu supradiximus derelinquat in eterna possessione. Sit autem predictum rus perpetuali libertate stabilitum et ab omni mundiali regalique coactione Immune Cum omnibus que antiquitus antecessorum mortalium relatu ad eundem locum pertinere audivimus. Id est. Campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore. expeditione. pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem quod non optamus hanc nostram donationem infringere vel mutare satagerit horribiles inferni fusci valvas

[1] Hoare, *Hist. of Wilts, Branch and Dole Hund.*, p. 82.
[2] Mercedem, K.
[3] Luc. vi, 38.

sentiat . atque terribiles demonum Cohortes suis obtutibus indesinenter aspiciat nisi prius digna Deo penitentia veniam legali satisfactione emendare maluerit . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Ƿis sint þa land gemæra to stantune . Aerest of hole ƿille on þa rupan hola þonon on þone ealdan ƿeg up to þan hæþenan byrgelse þonan on þryfyld dene of þære dene on þane scearpan stan . þonon on cobban stan of þam stane on ane hlinc reape oþ hit cymð to blacan grafum þonon on þane mær stán of þam stane on þa foxholu . þonon on þone stanigan beurh on þorn dune . norþeƿearde of þan beorge on þa stanes ⁊lang dene neoþeƿearde . of þam stane on anne stán . þonon on anne þorn . þonon on þa ƿearh roda on ƿodnes díc . þonon on þa ealdan burh middeƿearde of þære ealdan on oxna mere . þonon on anne crundel ˈliþ an stan . on[1] of þam stane on þone midmestan hrycg on east cumbum . þonon on east mores heafod to þam hæþenan byrgelse on brom lace . þonne ⁊lang streames eft on holen ƿylle .

Acta est hec prefata donatio . Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi[2] . DCCCCLVII . Indictione . XV .

Ego Eadƿig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Odo Archiepiscopus cum signo crucis roboravi .
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agye crucis impressi .
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus subscripsi .
Ego Ƿulfsige episcopus Consignavi .
Ego Byrhthelm episcopus Corroboravi .
Ego Alfƿod episcopus Adquievi .
Ego Danielh episcopus Conclusi .

Ego Eadmund dux .	Aelfgar miles .
Aeþelsige dux .	Byrhtferþ miles .
Aelfheah miles .	Aelfsige miles .
Aeþelgeard miles .	Aelfƿine miles .
Aelfric miles .	Aelfred miles .

STANTUNE ;

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 16.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXVII ; from A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 454.

[1] On liðan, K.

[2] Xpisti, A.

999. *Grant by King Eadwig to Odo, Archbishop of Canterbury, of land at Ely, co. Cambridge. 9th May, A.D. 957.*

✠ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. Divina gratia largiente, et originali prosapia antecessorum meorum ..... EADWIG Rex totius Britanniæ, fidelissimo meo archiepiscopo, meoque patrono toto mentis affectu, cum consensu meorum obtimatum . XL. mansas perpetualiter concedo ODONO, ubi ab antiquis ruricolis vocatum est ÆT HELIG quatinus possideat et cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in æterna possessione. Sit vero hoc rus predictum absolutum ab omni mundiali obstaculo, exceptis his tribus, quæ omnibus communia sint, id est, expedicionis et arcis pontisve construccione.

Haec donatio facta est anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCCLVII . Indictione . XV . regni mei secundo, in villa quæ dicitur EDANDUN[1] . VII . idus Maī, coram idoneis testibus quorum nomina infra collecta sunt.

Si quis autem augere voluerit, tribuat illi Deus in hoc seculo vitam longevam et in futuro sempiternam. Sin autem minuere satagerit nostram liberam largitionem sit sotius eorum quibus dicet æquissimus libripens in die judicii "Ite[2] maledicti in ignem æternum qui praparatus est diabolo et angelis ejus", si non hic prius emendare maluerit.

✠ Ego Eadpig Rex Anglorum cum consensu doctorum meorum consigno[3] sanctæ crucis ✠ roboravi.
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi celeriter.
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus Dorovernensis æcclesiæ Christi possedi et subscripsi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus præsul sigillum agiæ crucis ✠ impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Cenwald episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Alfwold episcopus.
✠ Ego Wulfsige episcopus.
✠ Ego Athulf episcopus.
✠ Ego Cynesige episcopus
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus.

[1] Cf. Edandûn (Heddington?), Thorpe, Anglo-Saxon Chron. A.D. 878 (Rolls Ser.), vol. ii. p. 65; Heddington, near Calne, co. Wilts. [2] Matt. xxv, 41. [3] Sic. MS.

✠ Æthelstan dux.
✠ Eadmund dux.
✠ Ælfhere dux.
✠ Æthelsige dux.
✠ Athelwold dux.
✠ Byrhtnoð dux.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.
✠ Æthelgeard minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Æthelferth minister.
✠ Ælfwine minister.
✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Ælfgar minister.
✠ Byrhtferth minister.
✠ Wulfgar minister.
✠ Wulfstan minister. testis.
✠ Ælfweard minister. testis.
✠ Wynsige minister. testis.
✠ Wulfric minister. testis.
✠ Ælssige minister. testis.
✠ Eadric minister. testis.
✠ Alfwold minister. testis.

Endorsed:—✠ þis is þæs landes bóc æt helig ðe Eadƿig cing gebocode Odan arce biscope on ece yrfe.

[A.] Brit. Mus., Add. MS. 5819. f. 3. Late paper copy from the original charter belonging to Dr. Mason, Rector of Orwell, co. Cambr., transcribed by Wm. Cole, 22 May 1773.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLXV; from [A.]

1000. *Grant by King Edwy to Holy Trinity Monastery, Newminster, Winchester, of land at Heahtun, or Heaton, co. Southampton.* A.D. 957.

Omnipotentia Divinæ majestatis ubique præsidente et sine fine cuncta gubernante! Ego EDWYUS, ipso largiente Rex Anglorum, cunctis gentis nostræ fidelibus innotesco, quod pro salute animæ meæ, quendam fundum quem indigenæ HEAHTUN appellant, septem cassatorum quantitatem continentem, benigne confero Monasterio Sanctæ Trinitatis, quod Wentana situm est civitate, NOVUMque appellatur. Huic autem libertati fautores et consiliarii mei fuerunt duces et magnates, qui me ad hanc largitatem donandam incitaverant, qui etiam omnes unanimiter constituerunt ut donatio ista firma in æternum permaneat; neque a quolibet, seu superiore vel inferiore, commutetur; et quisquis violare præsumpserit exconvincitur[1] a societate Dei et sanctorum ejus. Proinde sit terra prædicta ab omni servitio mundano semper libera, exceptis tribus causis. hoc est expeditione et pontis arcisve constructione.

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus:—

Ðis synd Heahtunes landgemæra: Of þære ea in to Ƿulfstanes fleote; of Ƿulfstanes fleote andlang dices on hokes clif; of hokes

[1] *Sic*, MS., for excommunicetur.

clive andlang mærces on Snelles pitte ; of Snelles pitte andlang mærke on Hafokes beorh ; of Hafokes beorhge on þonne pyte pege , on þæt[1] sclæde ; of þam sclæde on Echilde h[l]æpe a þa smye[1] picce ; of Echilde hlæpe on hengstes earas of hengstes earas on litil healle andlang mearke on Þarnundes stan ; of Þarmundes stan on Foxslades eande ; of Foxslades ænde on þære hole pege of þære hole pege to Kynepirdtreop ; of Kynepirdtreop andlang mærke on Hopille ; of Hopille in to þære ea .

These ben the londys markys that longyn to Healtune : Begyn at the hede strem in to Wlstanes flete ; fro Wlstanes flete along the dyches on Hokyselyve ; from Hokiselyve along the merchs to Snellys-pytte ; fro Snellys-pitte along the mersche to Hafokkys-bwrw ; from Hafokkysbwrw to the white wey, and than to the slade ; fro the slade to Ekhyldlewe on Smewylke ; fro thennys to Hengstesere ; from Hengstesere to the lytyl hylle, and than along the merchs to Tharmundys ston ; from Tharmundys stone to Fox-slade Ende ; from Foxsladys Ende to the how wey ; for the how wey to Kynewyrdys tre ; fro Kynewyrdys tree along the mersche to Howylle ; from Howylle aȝen in to hede strem .

Hi sunt terrarum limites pertinentium ad Healtune : Incipe apud alveum torrentis quousque perveneris ad terminum vocatum Wlstanysflete , sic per longum foveas quousque perveniatur ad Hokyselyve ; ab illo loco per longum paludis ad limitem vocatum Snellyspytte ; ab illo loco per longum pratum paludosum quousque perveniatur ad Hafokkys bwru ; ab illo loco ad illam album viam , et tunc ad descensum obliquum , a quo loco pertranseas quousque perveneris ad terminum vocatum Ekhyldlewe , super quendam locum qui nuncupatur Smyewykke ; a quo loco pertranseas ad limitem nominatum Hengstesere , ad parvum illum monticulum , et tunc per longum pertranseas pratum illud paludosum recte ad limitem vocatum Tharmundys-ston ; ab illo loco quousque perveneris ad finem limitis vocitati Foxslade , ad concavam viam , a qua via perveniendum est ad arborem Cinevirdi ; et tunc per longum pratum illud paludosum ad locum nuncupatum Howylle ; a Howylle iterum in torrentis alveum .

[A.] *Liber de Hyda* (E.), ed. Edwards (Rolls Ser.), p. [illegible].

[1] *Sic*, MS.

1001. *Grant by King Eadwig to Bath Abbey, of land at Ford, or Bathford, near Bath, on the River Avon, co. Somerset.* A.D. 957.

DE FORDA.

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Omnibus namque sapientibus notum ac manifestum constat. quod dicta futura vel facta pro multiplici erumpnarum perturbatione et cogitationum vagatione frequenter ex memoria recedunt. nisi litterarum apicibus et custodiæ cautela reserventur. et ad memoriam revocentur.

Iccirco ego EADƿIG. rex Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator ex rector. cenobitis consistentibus atque Deo servientibus in monasterio sancti Petri apostolorum principis quod in Bathonia mira fabrica constructum cognoscitur. X. mansas pro salute atque remedio animæ meæ perpetualiter concedo. cum consensu meorum heroicorum. et petitione mei venerandi sacerdotis ƿULFGARI. in loco ubi antiquorum relatu nominatur ÆT FORDA, ut sit prædicta donatio immunis ab omni fiscali tributo. et vectigali regali. excepto communi labore expeditionis. pontis. arcisque munimine. cum omnibus quæ sibi rite pertinent. tam in Campis. pratis. pascuis. nemorumque densitate. quam in magnis et in minimis. Si quis vero hoc nostrum karisma aliqua machinatione infringere conatus fuerit. veniam non hic mereatur. nec in futuro regni cœlestis clavigerum propitium habeat ⁝ nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit. Istis terminis hæc tellus ambita videtur.

Divisiones. Þis synd þa land gemæra to Forda. Ærest of Afene andlang stræt on þane anne stan. of þam stane on beonnan lehe. Of beonnan lehe innan pæfer. Andlang pæfer on pibyrht leage. Of pibyrht leage on hnæs leage. Of hnæs leage on cunuca leage. Of cunuca leage ut on afene.

Hæc carta scripta est anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCCLVII°. Indictione. XV°.

Ego Eadƿig rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi. ✠.
Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi. ✠.
Ego Odo Archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi. ✠.
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agye crucis impressi. ✠.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus confirmavi. ✠.
Ego Cenƿald episcopus acquievi. ✠.

Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi . ✠ .
Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi . ✠ .
Ego Alfpold episcopus consensi . ✠ .
Ego Aþulf episcopus subscripsi . ✠ .
Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi . ✠ .

Æðelstan dux . ✠ .
Eadmund dux . ✠ .
Ælfhere dux . ✠ .
Æþelsige dux . ✠ .
Æþelpold dux . ✠ .
Byrhtnoð dux . ✠ .
Ælfheah minister . ✠ .
Ælfsige minister . ✠ .
Ælfpine minister . ✠ .
Æþelgeard minister . ✠ .
Ælfred minister . ✠ .

Ælfric minister . ✠
Ælfsige minister . ✠ .
Ælfpig minister . ✠ .
Pulfgar minister . ✠ .
Ælfgar minister . ✠ .
Byrhtferd minister . ✠ .
Æðelmær minister . ✠ .
Pulfric minister . ✠ .
Pulfstan minister . ✠ .
Eadric minister . ✠ .
Byrnric minister . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Corp. Chr. Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 78.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLXIII; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p 461.

A Walk round the Manor of Forde: by H. S. Skrine, in *Proc. Bath. Nat. Hist. Club*, vol. v, No. ii, 1883, with map of the *Boundaries of Bathford*.

1002. *Grant by King Eaduuig to Æþeluuold, Abbot, and the Convent of Abingdon, of land at Hengestesige, or Hinksey, co. Berks, near Oxford.*

CARTA[1] REGIS EDWI DE HENGSTESSIE .

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo . cunctis sophie studium pene meditantibus notum est quod instantis vite periculis imminentibus ⁊ cujus[2] evanescentium rerum crebrescentibus humana cognitio quasi ros elabitur ⁊ oblivione traditur nisi aliqua certa ratione prenotetur " quia[3] non sunt eterna que hic conspiciuntur set terrena" ut imbutus sermone tonantis apostolus inquit .

Nunc velut umbra cito sic corporeé fugiunt[4] res .
Set[5] de'c'us eternum hoc visu stat cercius[6] omni .

Ideo ego . EADUUIG[7] . Anglorum ac tocius Brittannice telluris gubernator ⁊ rector uni meo abbati cui vocabulum certa astipulatione profertur . ÆÞELUUOLDUS[8] . necnon ⁊ humili cohorti que sub ejus regimine commoratur aliquem[9] terre porcionem id est secundum estimationem . XX . cassatorum concedo liberaliter in eternam possessionem tamen tribus in locis illic ubi vulgariter prolatum est

[1] Carta de Hengestesige . Seovecawrða . ⁊ Witham, rubric in B. [2] Curis. B.
[3] *Cf.* 2 Cor. iv, 18. [4] Fuiunt, B. [5] Sed, B. [6] Certius, B.
[7] Eadwi, B. [8] Æðelwuld, B. [9] -am, B.

ÆT HENGESTESIGE[1]. and æt seofecanƿyrþe[2] . aud æt ƿihtham . ut illud predictum territorium ad illud monasterium quod situm est in villa que dicitur ABBANDUN eternaliter pertineat cum his Rebus que ad eandem terram pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in minimis . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . Prefatum Rus omni servitio careat preter expeditionem pontis ⁊ arcis munimen .

Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stulticie temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit[3] . sit ipse gravibus per[4] colla depressus catenis[5] inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum cate\r/uas nisi prius irriguis penitentie gemitibus ⁊ pura emendatione emendaverit ,

Istis[6] terminis circumgirata asser\i/tur ante scilicet supradicta terra .

Mete de Hengst'. Ðis sindon þa land gemæro þæs ge burlandes[7] to abbendune ꝥ is gadertang on þreo genamod ꝥ is hengestes ig . ⁊ seofocan ƿyrð . ⁊ ƿiht ham . Ærest on meagðe[8] ford ꝥ mid streame[9] on stan ford . forð mid streame ƿiþ utan cytan igge on þa land lace of þære lace on scæcyling[10] æcer ꝥ on hi ƿege to yfemestan leage[11] þæt on preosta le\a/ge ꝥ to catleage ꝥ to cybban stane of þæm stane on þa þrio gemæru ðaet[12] innan rupan leage to brogan gete ꝥ to sundran edisce on þone greatan þorn of þan[13] þorne on cotan[14] healas ꝥ on[15] tiddan[16] cumb of þæn[17] cumbe on tetan hylle of tytan hylle to þaen[17] heafod ƿege[18] ondlong[19] cumbes to þæm hecce[20] of þam[13] hæcce to paþe stocce ꝥ to plum leage ꝥ on friþela byr\i/g ðæt to ydyr leage of ydyr leage to þam[17] stane ꝥ on temese æt eanflæde gelade þæ[21] amid streame ꝥ hit cimeð[22] eft on mægþa ford .

His autem vocabulis divulgari videntur termini agrorum videlicet predictorum .

✠ Ego Eadƿig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter consensi .
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi .
✠ Ego[23] Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Cenƿald episcopus confirmavi .

[1] Ad Hengestesige, B. [2] Ad seouecanwrthe, B. [3] Temptaverit, B. [4] ƿ, MS.; per, B. [5] Cath., B. [6] Istis . . . Pihtham, for this B. reads:—"Termini de Hengestesige . Seovenwrðe et Wihtham." [7] þæsse burlandes. S. [8] -ðæ, B. [9] Stræme, B. [10] Scec., B. [11] -gæ, B. [12] ðæt, B. [13] þæm, B. [14] Totan, B. [15] In to, with *in* expuncted, B. [16] -dam, B. [17] ðæm, B. [18] ƿeg, B. [19] ⁊lang, B. [20] Hæcce, B. [21] ꝥ, B. [22] Cymð, B. [23] B. reads:—"Ego Odo archiepiscopus . Ego Alfsinus presul . Ego Kenwald episcopus . Ego Oscytel episcopus . Ego Osulf episcopus . Ego Dunstan Abbas . Ego Athelwold Abbas . Et multi alii consenserunt et subscripserunt" and ends here.

✠ Ego Oscutel episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Alfƿold episcopus non rennui.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Dunstan abbas subscripsi.
✠ Ego Aþelƿold. abbas adquievi.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ego Byrhtferþ dux.
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux.
✠ Ego Aþelmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtferþ minister.
✠ Ego Alfƿold minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Æþelƿold minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfgar minister.
✠ Ego Cynesige minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 45b.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 110b. Boundaries at f. 196b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXVI; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 178.

1003. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Wulfstan, of land at Cunictune, or Conington, co. Huntingdon.* A.D. 957.

℞ Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Nunc mutando fragilitas mortalis vitæ marcescit et rotunda seculorum volubilitas inanescit. Ac in carorum propinquorum amicorumque amissione conqueritur ac defletur. Ideo ego EADƿIG Anglorum basileus ceterorumque populorum in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. Cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine. ƿVLFSTANO. IX. mansas perpetualiter concedo. Illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur. ÆT CVNICTVNE. Vt habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat. et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi æternaliter derelinquat. Sit autem prædictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Sine expeditione. et pontis. arcisve instructione.

Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit. sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis suis. Nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit.

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus. þis synt þa land gemæra

to cunic tune. ærest of bugla fenne ⁊ lang þa riscpeges on eneda pylle þonon on þone mere of þam mere on holan bróc ⁊ lang broces to upp͏ylle þonon to glædtuninga pege of þam pege on earninga stræte þonon on seaxa bróc ⁊ lang broces on gyrupan fen þa eft on bugla fen.

Hæc carta karaxata est. Anno dominicæ Incarnationis. DCCCCLVII. Indictione. XV.

✠ Ego Eadpig rex Anglorum præfatam donationem concessi.
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi.
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sanctæ crucis ✠ roboravi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus præsul sigillum agiæ crucis ✠ impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhthelm episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Cenpald episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus non rennui.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Æþelstan dux.
✠ Eadmund dux.
✠ Ælfhere dux.
✠ Æþelsige dux.
✠ Byrhtnoþ dux.
✠ Aþelpold dux.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Eadpold minister
✠ Ælfpold minister.
✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Eadric minister.

Endorsed:—✠ þis is þara. IX. hida boc æt Cunic tune. þe Eadpig cing gebocode Pulfstane his þegne on ece yrfe.

[A.] Original charter in Winchester Cathedral.

[S.] Mr. W. B. Sanders' transliteration in *Ord. Surv. Facs.*, pt. ii, pl. 2 (*Winchester*); see also remarks in pref., p. xii.

1004. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Elfric, of land at Ebbesborne Wake, co. Wilts.* A.D. 957.

ÞIS IS ÞARA. V. HYDA BOC ÆT EBLESBURNAN ÞE EADPIG CING GEBOCODE ÆLFRICE HIS ÞÆGNE ON ECÉ YRFE.

Regnante imperpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Omnibus namque sapientibus notum ác manifestum constat quod dicta futura. vel facta pro multiplici erumpnarum perturbatione. et cogitationum vagatione frequenter ex memoria recedunt. nisi lite-

rarum ápicibus et custodiæ cautela reserventur et ad memoriam revocentur.

Quam ob causam ego EADƿIG. industrius Anglorum rex gubernator et rector. Idcirco cuidam fideli meo ministro quem nonnulli vocitant noto vocamine. ELFRIC. pro ejus benſvolo obsequio aliquam portionem terræ perhenniter mente devota concedo. Id est. V. mansas illo in loco ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur. &. EBLESBURNAN. Dum vero vitale spiramen suum foverit corpus animo jocundo nostra dapsili dedictione perfruatur. decurso scilicet suæ curriculo vitæ heredi cui voluerit impendat in perpetuum carisma. cum campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Sit vero hæc terra ab omni seculari negotio libera excepta expeditione pontis et arcis constructione. Si qui denique michi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violare satagerint. agminibus tetræ caliginis lapsi vocem audiant. examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis. "Discedite á me maledicti in ignem eternum". Cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pœna si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint penitentia. Istis terminis hæc tellus ambita videtur.

Đis synd þa land ge mere tó eblesburnan þonno geð hít ærest on bican brigge of þere briege on beor dune fore parle on hafóc hlinc of hafóc hlince on stod peð uf perdne þanón ón þone bradan her pað of þam herepaðe on eangyðe hlep þanon ón menendene. of menandene on land sceargeat. of land sceorgeate ón ludan beorh. of ludan beorge on eblesburnan up on stream æt bican bricge.

Acta est hec prefata donatio. Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCC. LVII. Indictione. XV.

Ego Eadƿig. Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
Ego Osulf episcopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi.
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agiæ crucis impressi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consignavi.
Ego Ƿulfsie episcopus adquievi.
Ego Ælfƿold episcopus conclusi.

Ego. Eadmund dux.	Ego Ælfsie minister.
Ego. Eþelsie dux.	Ego Eþelgeard minister.
Ego Ælfheah dux.	Ego Ælfric minister.
Ego. Ƿulfric minister.	Ego Ælfwic minister.
Ego. Ælfred minister.	Ego Ƿulfgar minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 10.

[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. [illegible]; from [A.]

1005. *Grant by King Eaduui or Eadgar to the Duke Ælfheah, of land at Boclande, or Buckland, near Faringdon, co. Berks.* A.D. 957.

CARTA[1] REGIS EDGARI[2] DE BOCHELANDE.

Regnante Theo in perpetuum architectorio. Dum igitur secularia regimina Rite creator omnium rerum. ita decreverit[3], ut nobis non solum que temporalia ac transitoria creaverat[4] ad victum largiendo cotidie distribuit. Immo etiam iisdem ipsis momentaneis ac labentibus eterna posse mercare permisit.

Quamobrem ego EADUUI Dei gratio rex Anglorum cuidam meo duci mihi valde fideli qui ab hujusce patrie gnos[ti]cis[5] nobili ÆLFHEAH appellatur vocabulo pro obsequio ejus devotissimo perpetua largitus sum hereditate. X mansas ubi ruricoli antiquo usu nomen inposuerunt ÆT BOCLANDE[6]. ut ille bene perfruatur ac perpetualiter possideat quamdiu viviat ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu supradiximus in hereditatem eternam. Sit autem predicta terra cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus libera. campis. pascuis. pratis. excepto istis tribus expeditione pontis arcisve constructione. Si quis vero quod non optamus contra nostrum decretum machinari vel infringere aliquid voluerit: sciat se rationem graviter redditurum in die judicii ante tribunal domini. nisi prius hic digna emendaverit poenitentia ante mortem.

Mete. Istis[7] terminis predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur. Ðis sindon þa land gemaro to Boc lande. Ærestð[8] sprindles ham hyrð to boc lande ⁊ eal gama feld to boc landes[9] ge mære. of lytlan mores heafde[10] to laurocan beorge[11] of laurocan beorge to casan[12] þorne[13] of casan[12] þorne to bradan pege[14] of bradan pege and lang þara heafod æcera oþ fisceres[15] dene of fisceres[15] dene to þare[16] mæde[17] of þære mede[18] ut to pasan. of pasan ut to ea[19]. andlang hea[19] to healh pere. of healh pere to þan[20] pestran piþige of þan[21] piþige to þam yrð lande. of þam yrð lande on þone hig peg of þan[21] hig pege þurh boc land to kynan[22] pylle on þone heafod æcer. of þan[20] heafod[23] æcere ut on þone steort of þan[20] steorte on þone yrnendan mor of þan[20] yrnandan more on ælfsiges mor.

[1] Carta de Bochelanda, B. [2] Compare the confusion between Eadgar, of the rubric, and Eadwi in text, with some charters further on. [3] Decrevit, B. [4] -rit, S. [5] Gnoscis. MS. [6] Beclande, B. [7] This sentence omitted, B. [8] Ærest, B. [9] -de, B. [10] -dan, S. [11] Beorhge, B. [12] Kasan, B. [13] ðornne, B. [14] peg, B. [15] -ras, B. [16] þære, B. [17] Mæd, B. [18] Mæde, B. [19] Æa, B. [20] þam, B. [21] ðæm, B. [22] Kynnan, B. [23] Hæfod, B.

Anno dominice incarnationis DCCCC . LVII . indictione . XV[1]. scripta est carta .

✠ Ego[2] Eaduuig rex Anglorum prefatum donum indeclinabiliter concessi .
✠ Ego Ælfsie episcopus sigillum agie crucis impressi .
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi .
✠ Ego Bryhtelm episcopus subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfuuold episcopus adquievi .
✠ Ego Bryhtelm conclusi .
✠ Ego Ælfsige dux .
✠ Ego Eadmund dux .
✠ Ego Ælfric dux .
✠ Ego Ælfgar Minister .
✠ Ego Byrhtferð Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfred Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfsige Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfric Minister .
✠ Ego Ælfuuig Minister .
✠ Ego Uulfgar Minister.
✠ Ego Eaduuold Minister .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. [illegible].
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 113. Boundaries at f. 107b.
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. [illegible]; from [A. B.]
[S.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. [illegible].

1006. *Grant by the Widow Wihburga to the monastery at Worcester, of land at Sciran Ac, or Shurnock, near Feckenham, co. Worcester.*

DE SCIRAN AC .

Omnis usiæ[3] opifici sit laus Deo patri ejusque unigenito cum sancto spiritu qui genus humanum per gustum prohibiti fructus perditum crucis patibulo redemit . cujus benignissimæ miserationis opere creati . mortis secundæ poenam quæ primi parentis incuria contigit . evadere multimodis speramus . Ipsius itaque annuente clementia ego . WIHBURHGA vidua concedo totius boni retributori . et piissimæ ac beatissimæ ejus genitrici Mariæ mansam videlicet unam in villa quæ nuncupatur . SCIRAN AC . Ita scilicet ut post finem meum sit illa prenominata mansa ad remedium animæ meæ pro conditione et recordatione sepulturæ corporis mei monasterio WIGORNENSI . et fratribus ibi Deo servientibus in possessione hereditatis perpetuæ deputata . Et qui in aliqua fraude vel discrepatione per diabolicam gastrimariam istud frangere aut minuere temptaverit . sciat se cum rapacibus et peccatoribus esse

[1] XVIII, but altered. MS., scripta est carta, omitted, B.
[2] Witnesses in B.—Ego Eadwi Rex. Ego Eadgar frater regis. Ego Elfsie episcopus [illegible]; and ends here.
[3] [illegible]

conjunctum . et sine ullo honore in æterna dampnatione cum diabulo dampnatum et sociis ejus . nisi hic Deo et hominibus cum digna satisfactione emendaverit .

Ðis is ꝧ landgemære to sciren ac . Ærest of ƿines brycge ondlang lecc to þæs preostes mædƿe into feccan ham . onlang þæs broces ꝧ hit cymeþ to ipples berhge ȝ spa eal abutan ꝧ hit cymð eft in þone ilcan brocc . ȝ spa æfter ðam broce to ƿahgenes gemære . of ƿahgenes gemære ꝧ hit cyme to þære pirian . ȝ of þære pirian' to þam ƿalle þe is in þam holan ƿege . ȝ of þam ƿalle ƿahge'nes ge'mæres eft into ƿines brycge .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Tiberius A. xiii, f. 150b.
[H.] Hearne's *Heming*, vol. ii, p. 336; from [A.]
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCLII; from [A.]

1007. *Grant by Wiferd and Alta his wife, to the cathedral church of St. Peter, Worcester, of Cnihtatun and Neowanham, or Knighton-on-Teme, and Newnham, in the parish of Lindridge, co. Worcester.*

DE CNEHTATUNE ET DE EARDULFESTUN .

℞ Aio[1] et alto domino Deo Sabaoth regnante in evum . Siquidem humani generis prosapia de primo patre et matre edita in hoc seculum venit . sicque per longa et vaga temporum spatia diversis nationibus dirimuntur ut janitor cœlestis bibliothecæ et vas electionis predicator egregius apostolus Paulus dixit " Preterit[2] enim figura hujus mundi". quoniam in velocitate dies et anni deficiunt . Et iterum sagax sophista

Qui quondam Solymis dives regnavit in arvis

Katalectico versu cecinit dicens .

Non semper licet gaudere . fugit hora qua jacemur .

Et ideo sunt omnes nostre seriæ literarum apicibus confirmandæ . ne posteris ex memoria labare possit . quicquid facta precedentium patrum ac regum firmiter statuerunt .

Qua de re ego WIFERD ex conjunx mea ALTA nomine Christo domino concessimus et omnibus sanctis in cœlis . quamdiu fides catholica et baptismum Christi in Brittania servetur . aliquas agell'i'cas portiones pro remedio animæ nostræ ad æcclesiam beatissimi apostolorum principis sancti Petri . ubi corpora parentum nostrorum quiescunt . quæ in WIGORNENSI civitate fundata est . XV . cassatos in locis qui dicuntur CNIHTATUN . et NEOWANHAM .

[1] *Cf.* Proem of No. 434. [2] 1 Cor. vii, 31.

atque EARDULFESTUN . cum villulis illarum . ut relictis relinquendis a nobis rebus transitoriis æterna paradisi premia quæ sempiterna esse scimus nancis[c]i valeamus .

Pax servantibus et custodientibus hanc nostram donationem et libertatem . contradicentibus vero et negantibus atque frangentibus supplicium gemebundæ dampnationis . et cum justis non scribantur . ut cum Iuda traditore siut in æternum dampnati . nisi ante hic cum satisfactione emendaverint .

Post[1] finem autem vitæ illorum lapidum structura more antiquorum super sepulchrum eorum opere artificioso cum cruce dominica ob monumentum largitatis et monimentum animarum ipsorum composita est . Juxta quem lapidem beatus pater OSWALDUS[2] propter loci planiciem sermonem facere ad populum sepius solebat . eo quod æcclesia sedis episcopalis in honore sancti Petri apostolorum principis dedicata . admodum stricta multitudinem concurrentis populi capere nequibat . nec dum scilicet constructo honorabili monasterio beatæ Dei genitricis Mariæ quod ipse beatus pater ad sedem episcopalem laudabiliter incœpit laudabiliusque consummavit . Perduravit igitur hæc lapidum structura usque ad tempora Eadwardi regis . quo regnante Alricus frater Berhteachi[3] episcopi presbyterium supradictæ beati Petri æcclesiæ ampliare studuit . ipsamque lapidum congeriem destructam operi immiscuit . Ab hoc quoque lapide miliarium mensurabatur ad lapidem qui vocabatur *candidus lapis* opere consimili extra civitatem ad aquilonem positi . qui etiam tempore regis Willelmi majoris destructus . officio lavatorii monachorum necessarius operique admixtus est . Hoc nostræ nugacitatis opus apta conclusione terminare cupientes . te Deum qui rerum cunctarum initium et finis esse crederis predicaris et adoraris . quique cœlestia simul atque terrestria cuncta disponis . gubernas ac moderaris et quocumque vis divitias et honores largiflua munificentia largiris suppliciter imploramus ! quatinus istis communibus benefactoribus nostris vicem et recompensationem beneficiorum suorum in cœlis largiri digneris . Tuque misericordissime et justissime immo largissi[me] retributor qui per evangelium tuum benigna promissione pollicitus es dicens . "date elemosinam[4] et omnia munda sunt vobis". et "quicumque[5] dederit calicem aquæ frigidæ tantum in nomine meo amen dico vobis non perdet mercedem suam". itemque "quicumque[6] reliquerit domum aut agros propter nomen meum . centuplum accipiet et vitam æternam possidebit" ! in eis promissiones tuas sponsor verax adimple . cunctisque qui hoc monasterium agris vel domibus viculis aut possessionibus amplificaverunt ! suisque rebus et pecuniis . vestibus aut palliis auro vel argento seu quibuslibet aliis ornamentis ditaverunt . omnibusque qui verbo aut opere sermonibus sive propriis laboribus sustentare . munire . seu ab adversantibus defendere vel res æcclesiæ in aliquo augmentare studuerunt . vel cotidie student . aut studuerint mercedem centuplicatam . vitamque æternam largire , premiumque cœleste . "quod[7] nec oculus vidit . nec auris audivit . nec in cor hominis ascendit adipisci" concede . nosque cum illis tuæ claritatis quæ omne desiderium superat . patris jocundissimam faciem æternaliter videre . qui cum Deo patre et spiritu paraclito in trinitate perfecta et unitate Deifica vivis et regnas Deus gloriosus per omnia secula seculorum amen .

Her ge sputelað þara . XV . hida land gemæra into cnihta tune . ⁊ eardgulfes tune . Ærest of temede in corna broc . andlang brokes

[1] This long paragraph omitted, K.
[2] Bishop of Worcester, A.D. 961-992.
[3] Bishop of Worcester, A.D. 1033-1038.
[4] Cf. Eccli. iii, 33 ; Dan. iv, 24.
[5] Matt. x, 42.
[6] Matt. xix, 29.
[7] 1 Cor. ii, 9.

ongean stream in corna pudu . of corna pudu in corna liþ ond long þam liþe in þone oþerne corna broc . ⁊ spa mid stream in þære éa nen . of nen in mæra broc . of mæra broke in momela gemæra to suþintuna gemæru . of suþintuna[1] gemæra betpeonan stilla dune to þam holan broke to þam gemære æt þam holignan . of ðam holigena gemæra . into þam broke . to porfes leahges gemæra . ⁊ spa æfter ðam broke into stoctune . of stoctune eft into temede .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Tiberius A. xiii, f. 184b.
[H.] Hearne's *Heming*, vol. ii, p. 341.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCLII; from [A.]

1008. Will of Theodred,[2] Bishop of London.

Neutone. Horningesh'. Ikworthe. Wepstede. Suthere.

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Ic THEODRED Biscoph[3] wille bi quithen[4] mine quide[5] mines erfes þat[6] ic begiten[7] habbe ⁊ get bigete Godes þankes and hise[8] halegen for mine soule and for mine louerdes[9] þat ic vnder bigat . ⁊ for min Elderne[10] . and for alle þe mannes soule þat ic fore þinge . And ic Almosne vnderfongen habbe . and me sie richlike[11] for to bidden þat is þan erst þat he an his louerd his herigete[12] . þat is þanne tueie[13] hundred 'pundes of[14] goldes . an tue[13] cuppes siluerene . and four hors so ic best habbe . an to swerde so ic best habbe . ⁊ foure childe[15] and foure spere . and þat lond þat habbe at Dukesworthe[16] . and þat lond þat ic habbe at Ilsingtone[17] . And þat lond þat ic habbe at Carmigtone[18] . and ic an Edgiue mi leuedi[19] fifti marc of rede[20] goldes . And in to Seinte Paules kyrke mine to beste messe hakelen[21] . þo ic habbe mid alle þe þinge þe þere to bereð mid calice and on Cupe . and mine beste masseboc . and alle mine Relikes[22] . þo ic best habbe into Seinte[23] Poules kyrke . And ic an þat lond at tid[24] in to Seinte Poules kirke þen howen[25] to bed-

[1] Suðtintuna, K.

[2] T. assigns to this document the date of A.D. 960 ; if this be correct there must have been two Bishops of London of this name. According to Stubbs *Reg. Sacr.*, Theodred, Bishop of London, occurs from A.D. 926-951 ; to him succeeded Wulfstan, and after him Brihthelm, who occurs from A.D. 953-959, and was succeeded in turn by Dunstan, who became Archbishop of Canterbury in the following year

[3] Lundeneware biscop, K. T. [4] Bequeðen, K. T. [5] -den, K. T. [6] þe, K. T. [7] Begeten, K. T. [8] His, K. T. [9] -de, K. T. [10] Eldrene, K. T. [11] Riht., K.; rith., T. [12] Heregete, K. T. [13] Tua, K. T. [14] Marcas arede, K. T. [15] Schelda, K. T. [16] Ankeswrð, K.; Dukeswrðe, T. [17] Illyngtone, K. T. [18] Earmingtone, K. T. [19] Mi leuedi, omitted, K. T. [20] Marcas redes, K. T. [21] Haclon, K. T. [22] Reliquias, K.; reliquas, T. [23] Seinte, omitted, K. T. [24] Tit, K.; Cic, T. [25] Hewen, K. T.

londe mid al þat þer on stant boten þe men þe þer aren fre men alle for mine soule. And ic an þat lond at Surreie[1] mid alle þe
Suthereie. fiscoden[2] þo þer to bireð þen howen[3] in to Seint Edmunde[4] kyrke. and fre[5] men þo men for þe biscopes soule. and Theodred biscop an þat lond at Tilingham in to seinte Paules kyrke þe howen[3] to here[6] and fre men þo men for mine soule. And ic an þat lond at Dunmowe ouer mine dai in to seinte Poules kyrke þen howen[3]. And ic an þat lond at Mendam Osgoth[7] mine suster sone[8] ouer mine day. buten ic wille þat þe ministre and hise londes[9] at Myndham to þere kyrke. And ic an þat lond at Scotford an Midicaham in to Mynham kyrke þe Godes howen[3]. And ic an Osgot þat lond at Silham. and at Istede[10]. and at Chikeringe ⁊ at Æsfeld and at Wrinham[11] and alle þe smale londe þat þere to bereth. And ic an þat lond at Horham and at Elingtone[12] in to Hoxne in to seinte Ethelbrichtes kirke þer Godes howen[3]. And ic an þat lond at Luthinglond Offe mine suster sone[8] and is[13] brother and fre men þo men halue and at Myndaham al so for þe bischopes saule[14]. And ic an Osgot mine mey Edulues sone þat lond at
Neutone. Bertone and at Rucham[15] and at Pakenham. And ic an þat lond
Horningh'. at Neutone. and at Horningesh'de[16]. and at Ikworthe. and at
Ikworthe. Whepste[17] in to Seint Edmundes kyrke þen Godes howen[3]. to are
Whepstede for þeodred biscopes soule. And ic an þat lond at Waldringfeld Osgot mine sustres sone. and min hage þat ic binnen Gypeswich bouthe[18]. And ic an[19] Wlstan þat loud at Wortham. so it stant[20]. And ic an þat men dele at mine biscoperiche binnen Londone[21] and buten Londone[21]. x. pund for mine soule. And ic an þat men[22] at Hoxne at mi bisco'pe'riche þat men dele. x. pund for mine soule. And ic wille þat men nieme þat orfe[23] þat at Hoxne stant. þat ic þer to bigeten habbe. and dele it man on to. half in to þe ministre. an[24] þa toþerdel[25] dele for mine soule. And lete men[26] stonden so michel so ic þer on fond an fre men þo men alle for min soule. And ic wille þat men lete stonden at Lundone byri[27] so mikel so it[28] þer on fond. ⁊ nime[29] þat[30] ic þer

[1] Suðerreye, K. T. [2] -ðe, K.; -den, T. [3] Hewen, K. T. [4] Paules, K. T. [5] Frie, K. T. [6] Hare, T. [7] Mendham Osgote, K. T. [8] Sustres sune, K. T. [9] Hide landes, K. T. [10] Isestede, K. T. [11] Wrtinham, K. T. [12] Elyngtone T. [13] His, K. T. [14] Bisscopes soule, K. T. [15] Bucham, K. T. [16] Horningges herð, K. T. [17] Wepstede, K. T. [18] Bouhte, K. T. [19] [an], K. T. [20] And ic an into eueri bisscopes stole fif pund to delen for mine soule. And ic an ðen archebiscope fif marces goldes, added, K. [21] Lundene, K. T. [22] Men, with line through for erasure, MS.; þat, omitted, K. T. [23] Erfe, K. T. [24] And, K. T. [25] þa toþerdel, omitted, K. T. [26] Mon, K. [27] Lundenbyri, K. [28] Ic, K. [29] Mine, K., and so apparently MS. [30] þan, MS.

to bigat . and dele on to . half in to þe ministre . ⁊ half for mine soule . and fre men alle þo men . ⁊ do men þat ilke at Wunemannedune[1] ⁊ on Sceon[2] ⁊ lete men stonden at Fullenham so it nu stant . buten hwe[3] mine manne fre wille ⁊ on Donesige[4] let stonde[5] so mikel so ic þer on fond . An dele[6] it man 'in to half[7] in to þe ministre . and half for mine soule . And ian[8] in to Glastingbyri[9] . V . pund for mine soule . and ic an þeodred min wyte massehakele þe ic on Pauie bouthe[10] . and al þat þer to bireð . and 'Simbel ⁊ calice[11] ⁊ þere messebok þe Gosebrich[12] me bi quath . And ic an Odgar[13] þe[14] gelewe messe hakele 'þat is þat ic[15] on Paui[16] bouthe[10] . ⁊ þat þer to bireð . And ic an Gundwyne þer oþer gelewe messe hakele þat is ungerenað ⁊ þat þe þer to byreð . and ic[17] Spratache þe rede messehakele . ⁊ al þat þe þer to bireð . And who[18] so mine quithe[19] of te ! God him of te heueue Riches buten he it er is ende it bete .

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 17*b* (xivth century).
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCLVII; and
[T.] Thorpe, *Dipl.*, p. 512; from MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2, 33, f. 48.

1009. *Re-grant by King Eadwig to Bath Abbey, of land at Weston, near Bath, co. Somerset.* A.D. (961 *for*) 956 *or* 957.

DE QUINQUE HIDIS WESTUNÆ.

Anno Dominicæ Incarnationis . DCCCCLXI$_0$. Ego EADWIG divina allubescente gratia rex totius et primicerius Albionis ruris . quandam particulam quinis subæstimatam mansiunculis pridem indepte distorteque á beati Petri apostolici agminis primatis oraculo ablatam . restituendo et recuperando in loco qui dicitur ÆT WESTUNE . ad æcclesiam beati et prefati æcclesiasticorum cultoris seminum quæ sita fertur BATHONLÆ precordiali affectu . intimoque spiramine sub divini timoris instinctu liberam preter arcem pontem expeditionemque in perpetuum jus largitus sum . Hujus namque singrapham[20] successorum christianum quamdiu vigeat imperium .

[1] Wune., K. T. [2] Or Steon, MS. [3] Hwye. K. T. suggests hewen. but hwe = quis, or aliquis. [4] Dene., K. T. [5] -den, K. T. [6] And dele, K. [7] On to halfe, [half], K.; but [half] is not required, for there is a stop in the sense after to, which = two. [8] Ic an, K. T. [9] Glastingabyri, K. [10] Bouhte, K. T. [11] Simbelcalice, K. T. [12] -bricht, K. T. [13] Ordgar, K. T. [14] ðere, K. T. [15] ðe ic, K. T. [16] Pauie, K. T. [17] [an], K. T. [18] Wo, K. T. [19] Cuyde, K.

[20] Several words left out here, can be supplied from a very similar text further on (A.D. 961), viz.:—"largitionis in nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi sic præfigimus ut nostrorum nemo." The error may perhaps arise from the copyist missing a line when transcribing from the original charter.

hanc vel in minimis audeat violare. Quod si quis quod non optamus presumptivo peregerit temptamine. hoc in tetrico infernalium sine ullo refocilamine sustineat cruciamine. Hujuscæ donationis constipulatores tótius senatores Albionis. sed et specialiter hi quorum inferius nomina carraxantur. unanimo confirmativoque conspiramine affuisse perhibentur.

Ego Eadwig rex Anglorum hoc donum cum triumpho sancte ✠ impressi.
Ego Eadgar indoles corroboravi. ✠.
Ego Odo archiepiscopus consignavi. ✠.
Ego Ælfsige episcopus consensi. ✠.
Ego Oscytel episcopus dictavi. ✠.
Ego Brihtelm episcopus favi. ✠.
Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi. ✠.

Æþelstan dux. ✠.	Ælfsige minister. ✠.
Eadmund dux. ✠.	Byrhferð minister. ✠.
Ælfere dux. ✠.	Ælfheah minister. ✠.
Æþelsige dux. ✠.	Æþelmær minister. ✠.
Æðelmund dux.	Æþelgeard minister. ✠.
Æþelwold dux. ✠.	Ælfwine minister. ✠.

DIVISIONES.

Þonne syndon her þa land gemæra. Ærest of cortimæde upp to þam æsce. Of þam æsce on pleg dic. Of pleg dic [1]be swin cumbes hefde to crawan hýlle. Of crawan hýlle upp to dune. west be ecgge to lacwege. Of lacwege to ceoles cumbe. Of ceoles cumbes est be ecgge to þam weallon. Of þam wealle to þam tune. Of þam tune on higweg. Andlang higweges to ænlýpan þunan. Of ænlýpan þunan on selardes pol. Of selardes pole ut on auene. Þonne eft ærest on þa ealdan lanan to horpýtton upp on epenn. Of þam penne on hean æsc. Of hean æsce upp andlang weges to blacan lege. to þere ealdan dic. Of þere ealdan dic a be graue to wulf slæde. Of wulf slæde a be wege. And lang weges to alesbeorge. Of alesbeorge to þam hlýpgete. Of þam hlýpgete a be wealle to lincumbe. Of lincumbe to midda hriccges wege. Of midda hriccges wege to stutardes cumbes grafe. Of stutardes cumbe to starforda andlang broces to tune.

[A.] MS. Corpus Christi Coll. Cantab. cxi, f. 75. (Kindly copied by Mr. A. Rogers.)

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. [illegible]; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. i, p. [illegible]. Cf. *Domesday Book*, fol. [illegible], col. 2.

[1] All that follows is written on a separate slip of parchment inserted between leaves 75 and 75[b].

1010. *Recital of a bequest by Æðelpyrd to Eadric and others, of land at Geocham, or Ickham, co. Kent, subject to certain rents in money and kind to the monastery of Christchurch, Canterbury, with Eadric's appropriation of the land. Before* A.D. 958.

CYROGRAFFA[1].·.

✠ Þis is ÆÐELPYRDES cpide mid geðæhte Odan ærce bisscopæs ⁊ ðæs hioredæs æt Cristæs cirican ꝥ is ðonne ꝥ Æðelpyrd bruce ðæs landæs on GEOCHAM . his dæg on freodome be Godes leafe ⁊ be ðæs arce bisscopæs ⁊ be ðæs heoredæs ðonne ẏftær his dæge EADRIC gif he libbe his dæg pið ðon gofole ðe hit ge cpedæn is ðæt sint . V . pund ⁊ ælce gære éne dæg feorme in hiopum ꝥ is ðonne . XL . sæstra ealað . LX . hlafa peðær ⁊ flicce ⁊ an hriðres læup . II . cesas . IIII . hæn fugulas ⁊ . V . pænningas to beðe ⁊ ðis sio gelæst to sancte Michaelæs tide ⁊ bio he ælces pites pyrðe ⁊ gif hwilc for pyrht man hiopan ge sæce bio se ðingað spa hit medlic sia be ðæs geltes meðe ! Gif hit ðonne ge bærige ðæt Æðelpyrd læng libbe ðone Eadric ðonne fo Æðelgifu to pið ðan ilcan gofole ðe hit hær be ufan ge cpedæn is hire dæg : gif hit þonne ge berige ðæt Æðelpyrd læng libbe ðone Eadric oððe Æðelgifu ⁊ he ða un æt nessa ge bidan scel ǽgefe man land ⁊ boc in ẏfter his dæge In mid him selfum for hine ⁊ for ða ðe him land fram com :~

Ðisæs is Odá ærce bisscop ge pita ⁊ Byrhtere . mæsse . preost Cænpig . mæsse . preost Pealdred . mæsse . preost . Sigefreð . diacon . Ospeald . diacon . Freðegod . diacon . Sigered . diacon . Heared . diacon . Sired . preost . Byrhtmund . Eadsige . . . .[2] Eadelm Byrhtsige Æðelm . Byrhtsige Byrhtpig Liofric Sielm Pulfred Cænric Eadpeard :~

Disæs . pes . gepita . Eadelm . abbod æt Sanctæ . Agustine . ⁊ Byrhtsige . diacon . Æorlebyrht . mæsse . preost . Roðin . mæsse . preost Bærhtram . mæsse . Beornmund . preost . ⁊ ða . III°. Ælfstanas . Æðelpeald . Eadmund . Penelm . Cynsige . Eadric . Liofing Eadsige Pulfhelm Sigefreð Liofric Liofstan Eadstan Eadmund . . . . .[3] stan . cẏnges ðægen . Byrhtric . Pyhtgar . Pulfstan ⁊ ða . III°. ge ferscipas Innan burpara ⁊ utan burhpara ⁊ micle mættan :~

. . . . .[3] s seo gered'n'æs þe EADRIC hæfð pið ðane hired to Cristes cirican . ꝥ is ðonne ðæt Eadric ge sealde ðan hirede to

[1] This word half cut through at the top of the charter, for an indenture.
[2] Erasure in MS.
[3] Corner torn away, MS.

gerisenum . v . pun' tpa ðæm ældæstum ⁊ ðreo eallum hirede an ꝥ ge rad ꝥ he hebbe ind mid fullre unnan ælde ⁊ gegeðe mid eallæn ðan [illegible] ðingum lessan ⁊ maran ðe to ðæm lande be limppað unbe sprecen pid æghpylc'ne lifes man .

Endorsed in hands of the xiith and xiiith centuries:—Anno DCCCC°. LVIII°. Donatio 'Ethelwirdi de Gecham . anglice . Iecham . XII . Odo . scrip . XII . Omnia hec data sunt conventui specialiter .

[A.] Original charter in the British Museum, Stowe, ch. xxvi.
[L.] Lye, *Dictionarium*, vol. ii, 1772, Appendix; from [A.]
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXXVIII; from [L.]
[T.] Thorpe, *Dipl.*, p. 509; from [A.]
[S.] *Ord. Surv. Facs.*, pt. iii, pl. xxviii, with transliteration by Mr. W. B. Sanders.
Brit. Mus., *Catalogue of a Selection from the Stowe MSS.*, 1883, p. 4. (First portion only.)

1011. *Later Form of No.* 1010.

✠ Ðis is AÞELWIRDES quyde . mid Odes archebiscopes and þe hiredes at Cristeschereche yrede . Þet is þanne þet Aþelwird bruke þas londes on YCHAM his day on uredome be Godes ylaue and by þes archebiscopes and by þes hirdes þanne hefter his daye Eadrich gef he libbe hit bruke his day wiht þen gauele þe hit ycueþen is . þet sind . v . pund and eche gere enne dey ferme into þan higen . þet is þanne . XL . sestres eleþ . LX . loues . weþes and fliththe . and anne weþere shap . II . cheses . IIII . henfugeles . and . v . paneges to beþe and þis by ylest to Seyntes Micheles tide . and by he eches wites worthe and gef hwilche woworthe man þa hygen hit ofsake . be se þinged suo hit meþlic sy by þes geltes meþe . Gif hit þanne yberege þet Eþelwird leng libbe þanne Eadrich þanne fo Eþelgife to wiht þan ylcke gauele þe hier buuem yqueþen is hire dey . Gef hit þænne ybyrige þet Eþelwird leng libbe þanne Edrich oþer Eþelgiue . and he þo unnetnesse ybyde . þanne ageue he land and boc efter his dage in mid him seluen uor hiue and for þo þe him land uram com .

Ðises is Ode archebiscop . ywytnesse and Brigthere messeprest . and þo þri yuershipes binne burg and bute þet is al se hird at Cristescheriche . and Seynt Austynes[1] . and at Seynt Gregories[2] . aud manie oþre yhodede and liauuede of binne burg and bute .

[A.] Reg. C. C. Cantuar. A. 1, f. 188.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXXVIII; from [A.]
Thorpe, *Dipl.*, p. 511.

[1] St. Augustine's Abbey, Canterbury. [2] St. Gregory's, Austin Priory or Hospital, Canterbury, was not founded until A.D. 1084 by Archbishop Lanfranc.

1012. WILL OF ÆLFGAR[1]

About A.D. 958.

In nomine domini þis is ALFGARES quide þat is erst þat ic an mine louerd tueie swerde fetelsade . an tueie bege ayther of fifti mancusas goldes . an þre stedes . an þre cheldes[2] . and þre speren . And me kidde Þeodred biscop and Edrick alderman þa ic selde mine louerd þat swerd þat Edmund king me selde on hund tuelfti an mancusas goldes . and four pund silueres on þan fetels þat ic muste[3] bien mine quides wrde . And ic nefre forwrouth ne habbe on Godes witnesse wyt mine Louerd boten[4] it so mote . And ic an Atelflede mine douther þat lond at Cokefeld . and at Dittone and þat at Luenham[5] ouer mine day[6] . And þanne ouer vre alderne[7] day ic an þat lond at Cokefeld to Bedriches- worthe to Seint Edmundes stowe . And ic wille þat Athelfled vnne ouer hire dai þe londes at Dittone in to squilke[8] halegen stowe ⁝ squilk[8] hire red likes þinge for vre aldre soule . and ouer hure alder[7] day ⁝ ic an þat lond at Lauenham mine douther childe gif þat God wille þat heo ani hauet . buten Athelfled her wille him his hunnes[9] . and gif heo non habbe ⁝ gange it in to Stoke for vre alder[7] soule . and ic an þat lond at Babbingþerne Athelflede mine douthter . And after hire day ⁝ min other douchter hire day . And after here boþere day ⁝ mine douchter berne gif heo bern habbe . And gif heo bern non[10] ne habbe ⁝ þanne go it in to[11] Seinte Marie stowe at Berkinge for vre alderne[7] soule . And ic an þat lond at Illeyge min genger douchter hire day . And ouer hire day ⁝ Berthnoð his day if he leng libbe þanne heo . Gif he[12] bern habben þanne an ic it hem . Gif he[12] non ne habben[13] ⁝ þanne an ic it Athelfled mine douchter ouer here day . And after hyre day into Cristes kyrke at Canterberi[14] þen hirde de[15] brite . And þe lon at Colne and at Tygan ic an min gingere douchter . and ouer hire day gif heo bern habbe ⁝ hire bern . And gif heo ne habbe ⁝ bequeðe ic[16] Bernothe hys day . And ouer his dai ⁝ in to Stoke for vre aldre soule . And ic an þat

Cokefeld.

[1] The MS. gives, for date, the following:—"Temporibus Edmundi Regis patris Sancte Edithe virginis et Theodredi Londoniensis episcopi." [2] Sch., T. [3] Muste, T. [4] Buton, T. [5] Lauenham, T. [6] B. adds here:—On þe red þat heo be þe bet for mine soule . ⁊ hire moder soule . ⁊ for hire broðer soule ⁊ for hire seluen. [7] Aldre, T. [8] Suil., T. [9] Unnen, T. [10] Non, omitted, T. [11] in to, repeated MS. [12] Heo, T. [13] Habbeð, T. [14] Caunterbiri, T. [15] To, T. [16] It, T.

lond at Piltendone and þat[1] at Merseye in to Stoke. And ic an þat Athelfled bruke þe lond þer whyle þe hire lef beth one rathan[2] heo ic[3] on rith[4] helde and on þe red þat heo do þan hirde so wel so heo best may in to Stoke for mine soule. and for vre aldre. And ic an þat lond at Grenestede in to Stoke for mine soule. and for Athelwardes and for Wifwyðe. And ic [an] Athelfled þere brice wile hire lif beth on þe Red þat heo do for þat soule so wel so he best may. Nu his me God uþe ⁊ min Lauerd. And ic an þat lond at Tidweldington Alfwold ouer mine day. þe he formige ilke ihere þen hird at Paules byri for vre aldre saule. And ic and þat lond at Catham[5] Bernothen[6]. and mine gingere douchter here day. and after here day ! wende lond in to Mereseie Athelfled mine douther. And ic an þat wudelond at Asfeld in to Stoke also Aylkil[7] self it her bouchte. And ic [an] mine moder þat lond at Ryssebrok gef heo leng liuið[8] þan ic[9]. þanne after vuker boþer day ! ic an hit Wynelme gif heo Athelfled on richte hirð. And ic wille bidden suilk louerd so þanne beoth for Godes louen[10] and for alle hise halegen. werken min bern þat[11] worken þat he nefre ne mugen forwerken mine quide þe ic for mine soule queden[12] habbe. And gif hit wo awende ! habbe him wið God gemaene and wit þe holi stans[13] þe ic it to becueþen habbe. þat he[14] nefre ne bete buten on helle wyte so[15] þis quide awende boten it me seluen wende it er min endinge[16]. And ic Athelgar an an hide lond þes þe Aeulf hauede be hundtuelti acren a teo so he wille.

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 16b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXXII; from [A.]
[B.] MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2, 33.
[T.] Thorpe, *Dipl.*, p. 506; from [B.]

1013. *Bequest of Vlfketel to the Abbey of St. Edmund at Bury, of land at Rikinghale, etc., co. Suffolk.*

Her swyteleþ on þis writhe ihu þat VLFKETEL God vthe and seint Edmunde þat is þat land at RIKINGHALE and al þat þerto byreð. and al þat lond at Rucham. and þat lond at Wlpit and þat lond at Hildercle. and þat lond at Refaresþorpe also

[1] þat, omitted, T. [2] Raðe, T. [3] It, T. [4] Rihte, T. [5] Cotham, T. [6] Berðnoðe, T. [7] Eakild, T. [8] -id, T. [9] Hie, T. [10] Luuen, T. [11] He, added, T. [12] Cueden, T. [13] Sainten, T.; stans, K. [14] It, added, T. [15] Sa, T. [16] Ende, T.

/ it stonden mid mete and mid manne . and mid sake and sokne also ic it auchte .

Se þe þis awende ; God almichtin awende his ansene on domesdai from him . buten he it er her þe raþere bete .

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 19b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCCXLIX ; from [A.]

1014. *Disposition by Sifled at her going over the sea, of her property at Mardingford, co. Suffolk.*

Her switeleþ on þis write ihu SIFLED vthe hire aihte þo sche ouer se ferde . þat is erst into þe tun kirke on MARDINGFORD[1]. v*. acres and ane toft . and II acres medwe and to waẏnegong to wude and ic[2] mine landsethlen here toftes to owen aihte and alle mine men fre . And ic an eiþer mine brother ane waẏngong to wude . And ic an into Northwich to cristes kirke . IIII recheren . and to into sancte Marian and on into mine duzine . and ic an into seẏnt Eadmunde al þat þere to lafege sceotte . þat beth on Mardingforda . hus and hom . and wude and feld . and on medwe and on ẏrue .

And gif ic hom cume ! þan wille ic sitten on þat londe mine day . and after mine day ! stonde þat cuide . and wo so þis awende ! god awende his ansene from him on domes daẏ buten he it here bete .

[A.] MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2, 33, f. 49b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCXLVII ; from [A.]

1015. *Bequest by Sifled to the Abbey of St. Edmund at Bury, of land at Marthingford, co. Suffolk.*

Her sviteleþ ihu SIFLED an hire aihte ouer hire daẏ þet is erst into seẏnt Eadmunde MARÞINGFORD for hire leue soule . al buten tuenti acres . and tueẏe wainegong wudes . and þere wude norþ ouer . and min kirke be fre . And Wlmer prest singe þerat . and his bearntem so longe so he þen to þen hode . and fre leswe into þere kirke . and mine men fre . And be seẏnt Eadmund Mund þer ouer þene fre schot .

Se þe þise cuide wille awenden be he amansid from God almichtin and fram all hise halegen and fram sancte Eadmunde .

[A.] MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2, 33, f. 49b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCXLVI from [A.]

[1] Marthingeforda, co. Suffolk. *Domesday Book*, vol. ii, f. 209. [2] [an], added, K.

1016. *Another Form of No.* 1015.

ꝥ Sifleda virago famosa dedit sancto Edmundo Mardingforde. cum testamento suo.

Se þe þise quide wille awende ⁝ be he amansed from God ⁊ from alle hise halegen. ⁊ from Sancte Edmunde.

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 18b.

1017. *Bequest of Thurketel Heyng to the Abbeys of St. Benedict at Hulme, and St. Edmund at Bury, of land at Castor and Thorpe, co. Norfolk.*

THURKETEL HEYNG DEDIT DEO ET SANCTO BENEDICTO DE HULMO ⁊ SANCTO EDMUNDO IN COMMUNI CASTRE ⁊ TORP.

Her kythet on þis write ihu ic THURKETEL an min athe[1] after min day. þat is erst[2] þat it an þat lond at CASTRE and at THORPE mid medwe and with[3] merische[4] and ingond[5] and utgong mine soule to holisednesse[6] God and sancte Benedicte and seint Edmunde to BYRI[7] and to Holm. and mine[8] douchter[9] habbe þat lond at Ormesby to þan forewarde þat he it ne may forwerken. and after hire day ⁝ go þat lond in to Holme for mine saule and for hire boten þat land þat Edmund[10] achte[1] þat habbe Ketel mine neste[11]. And þat lond at Scroutebi habben mine nefe kild Swegnes. Symon[12]. ⁊ Alcmundes[13]. And an pund habbe se Abbat[14] on Holm. an hother[15] se Abbot on Byri. and mine men fre þo it heruen willen[16]. And wo so þis quides bireuen reuen[17] wille ⁝ bereue him God heuerike[18]. buten he it[19] her bete. þise writhe[20] sinden þre. and is on Holm. and oþer on Byri; þridde mid Thurkitel seluen.

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 18. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCLX; from MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2. 33, f. 45.

[1] Ahte, K. [2] Erest, K. [3] Mid, K. [4] Merisce, K. [5] Ingong, K. [6] Alisednesse, K. [7] Biry, K. [8] Wiues del euere unbreaken to gyfen and to habben ðer hire leuest be, and mine lauerd riehte heregete. And Ælfwen mine, added, K. [9] Douter, K. [10] Osmund, K. [11] Nefe, K. [12] Sunen, K. [13] Alcm., K. [14] -but, K. [15] Oðer, K. [16] Ðo it iherne wellen, K. [17] Reuen reven (probably added redundantly), at beginning of a line, MS.; omitted, K. [18] Heuenriche, K. [19] Hit, K. [20] Write, K.

1018. *Bequest by Thurkytel to the Abbey of St. Edmund at Bury, of land at Culford, etc., co. Suffolk.*

Ƿis sendan ƿa land ƿe ƿURKYTEL gean Gode ⁊ sancte Marian ⁊ sancte Eadmunde ꝥ is ꝥ land ÆT CULE FORDE ꝥ his agen ƿæs ƿa hit stent mid mete ⁊ mid mannum ⁊ mid sake ⁊ mid socne. ⁊ eal ꝥ land æt Ƿride ƿellan. ⁊ ꝥ land æt Gẏxe ƿeorde ƿa hit stent mid mete ⁊ mid mannum.

Below, in a hand of the xiith century:—"Quicumque hanc cartam ƿurcetelli ab ecclesia sancti Ædmundi alienaverit ⁝ anathema sit." *Endorsed in a hand of the xiith century:*—"Thurkytel Culeforde Wridewelle. Gyxeworð"; *and in a hand of the xivth century,* "Scribitur." *There is also a press mark of the xvith century,* "K. 20."

[A.] Cotton MS., Augustus II, 84. Brit. Mus., *Facs.*, pt. iii, pl. 44. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. DCCCCLXI; from [A.]

1019. *Another Form of No.* 1018.

THURKETEL DEDIT SANCTO EDMUNDO CULEFORD. WRIDEWELLE. IXEWORTHE. CUJUS HOC INSTAR EST TESTAMENTUM.

Ðis sinden þe lond þe ƿURKETEL an God and seinte Marie. ⁊ seint Edmunde þat is þat lond at COLEFORD þat his owen was so it stant mid manne an mid sake ⁊ sokne and mid mete and manne.

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 18b.

1020. WILL OF THURKETEL.

ƿURKETEL DEDIT SANCTE EDMUNDO PALEGRAVE. ⁊ DIMIDIUM WYTINGHAM. CUJUS HIC EST TENOR TESTAMENTI.

Her swyteleþ ihu[1] ƿURKETEL an his hauthe[2] after his dai[3] þat is erst for is[4] soule PALEGRAVE in to seinte Edmunde and Wytingham half. and half þe biscop and alle mine men fre. and ilk habbe his tuft[5] and his metecu and his metecorn. And ic an Reydone berch þat mid leste forlang fre in to þe kyrke. and Scorteland[7] and þe prestes tufte[8] al in to þe kirke fre. And ik an Lefwyne[9] min wif Simplingham al þat ceap lond. ⁊ þat oþer þat ic mid hire nam.

[1] Hu, K. [2] Ahte, K. [3] Day, K. [4] His, K. [5] Toft, K.
[6] Keydoneberh, K. [7] Scoreland, K. [8] Tofte, K. [9] Lefwen, K.

and half Reydone[1] mid mete and mid Erue to þat forewarde þat we sprekn[2] habbe . ⁊ mine men fre . And ic an Wingefeld mine broþeres sones Vlfketel ⁊ Þurfketel. And ic an Lefquen fiftene acres at Palegrave . ⁊ an tuft[3]. and Wlfwyne habbe þat lond þe he mines[4] hauede[5]. And Alfwold mid ten þo[6] he her hauede . XVI[7]. acres mid tofte and mid halle . And Osebern habbe þat lond bi siden Thrandestone þat ic þer hauede . And ic an Leofrik mine neue and Godwyne mine mei[8] and Wlfwyne and is brother . XX . acres at Reydone[1] and þe moer[9] þe ic ⁊ þo monekes[10] soken[11] ymbe mine del fremannen to note so he er deden er daye and after daye . So he þe þis[12] awende ⁝ awende[13] him God from heuene riche in to helle witerbrogen bute he it þe dippere[14] bete er his ending day.

Trandestone.

Þise write sinden þre on is at Seint Edmundes byri . oþer haueð þe biscop . þe þridde haueð Þurketel him self.

[A.] Add. MS. 14,847, f. 18b. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. DCCCCLXX; from MS. Bibl. Publ. Cantab., Ff. 2, 33, f. 48b.

1021. *Grant by King Eadred*[15] *to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Alduluestreow, or Austrey,*[16] *co. Warwick.* A.D. 958.

CARTA EADREDI REGIS MERTIORUM DE ALDULUESTREþ . DCCCC . . LVIII . INDICTIONE . PRIMA .

☧ Cum fas licitumque Deifico jure omni regio habena utenti esse liquet hoc pro libito elidere posse malignos . verumetiam arbitrio venerari potius benignos ⁝ cur nostre curulas sceptris perstringere non audeat penna indissolubilia monumenta a nobis Deo auctore conserta . a quo ⁊ dandi ⁊ possidendi facultatem oportunitatis id temporis exceptam Deo gratias haurimus ⁝

Quo circa ego EADRED rex Mertiorum divina procurante gratia ritu parentele ⁊ pie ⁊ strenue exposcente . Albionis monarchiam solus exercens cuidam mihi devoto ministro ƿULFRICO nomine . V . mansas in loco qui dicitur ÆT ALDULUESTREOþ in hereditatem perpetualiter possidendam . ⁊ tradendam cui voluerit heredi . Soluimus etiam idem rus omni jugo regali preter expedicione . pontis arcisve

[1] Keydone, K. [2] -ken, K. [3] Toft, K. [4] Mnes, MS. [5] Hafde, K. [6] Ton ðe, K. [7] . XVI . . . . . þer hauede, omitted, K. [8] Mey, K. [9] Mon, K. [10] Mu., K. [11] Soken, K. [12] Se ðe ðis, K. [13] Wende, K. [14] Dep., K.

[15] Eadred died 23rd Nov. 955 (*A. S. Chron.*). It is difficult to account for the date and indiction of this charter, which in other respects seems genuine.

[16] ...nesday *Book*, f. 239, col. 1: "Aldvlvestreu"; see also Bawdwen's MS. ... 14.

re-edificacione . Si quis vero hoc minuere temptaverit ⁝ sentiat Dei offensam ⁝ nisi satis emendet . Istis terminis ⁊c̄. Acta est hec donatio ⁝ anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCC . LVIII . Indictione . prima .

✠ Ego Eadred rex Anglorum hanc meam donacionem sancte crucis ✠ signo corroboravi .
✠ Ego Eadƿig . ⁊ Eadgar indoles hec confirmavimus
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus confirmavi .
✠ Ego Ælfæh episcopus .
✠ Ego Cenƿald episcopus .
✠ Ego Leouƿine episcopus confirmavi .
Et ceteri Duces . ⁊ ministri . XV .

Mr. W. R. M. Wynne's MS. at Peniarth, 180, p. 363.

1022. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Wulfric, of land at Boxora, or Boxford,*[1] *on the River Lamborne, near Newbury, co. Berks.* A.D. 958.[2]

CARTA REGIS EADREDI DE BOXORA .

Domino dominorum dominante in secula seculorum regna regnorum hujus presentis seculi transeant sicut ignominica et omnis gloria ⁊ locus hujus mundi peribit et non sunt eterna set superna eterna sunt . Vnde ego EADRED rex Anglorum gubernator et rector . cuidam meo fideli ministro quem nonnulli vocitant noto vocamine ƿULFRIC . pro ejus benivolo obsequio aliquam portionem terre perenniter mente devota concedo id est decem mansas illo in loco ubi Anglica appellatione dictur[3] est . ÆT . BOXORAN . Vt habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat . ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit eternaliter derelinquat . sit autem predictum Rus ⁝ liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . excepto communi labore expeditione pontis arcis constructione .

Si quis autem infringere certaverit quod absit sciat se reum omni hora vite sue et tenebrosum Tartarum non evadere .

Mete.[4] Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur . Ðis sint þa land gemaera to Boxorran . Ærest[5] æt ƿines treoþe ꝥ ⁊lang herpaþes

[1] Stevenson, vol. ii, p. 514, from Lysons' *Berks*, p. 245. [2] Eadred died in 955, but the witnesses belong to the year 958, and the date and indiction agree. Kemble attributes the date to 949. [3] Over an erasure, MS., ? dictum. [4] Mete . x . mansarum apud Boxora, rubric, B. [5] Here text of B. begins.

to dene pitte[1] þonne[2] up on ææmeres hammas suþepearde[3] of þan[4] hammum ⁊lang mær`c´e[5] ut on þone heað feld[6] easte peardne ꝥ ut on linden[7] norð pearde[8] þonne[2] ⁊lang mearce on peocan[9] þorn of þan[4] þorne ꝥ ⁊lang mearce on lam burnan on clat ford. of clat forda on meos broces heafod ꝥ þonne[2] to allan stapule þonan[2] ⁊lang herpaþes ut on þone mersc þa[10] be mersce to þan[4] tune on þa hege ræpe ꝥ on ða dic ⁊lang dic[11] ut on þone[12] burnan þonne[13] up on þa blacan græfan[14] of þære graefan[14] on Rinda crundel of þan[4] crundle to þrim[15] þornun[16] ꝥ ⁊lang peges eft on pines treop[17] þær hit ær on fæng[18].

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC. LVIII. indictione. I.

Testes. ✠ Ego Eadred Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter consensi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Alfpo`l´d[19] episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux consensi.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfric dux.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Fgo Ælfpig minister.
✠ Ego Ælfric minister.
✠ Ego Ælfnoð minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Pulfgar minister.
✠ Ego Alfpold minister.
✠ Ego Eadric minister.
✠ Ego Pulgar leofa[20] minister.
✠ Ego Pulfric minister.
✠ Ego Cynric minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 41.
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. 126.
Boundaries only.
K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCLXXVII; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 168.

[1] Pytte, B. [2] þanon, B. [3] -perde, B. [4] þam, B. [5] Mearce, B. [6] Hæð, B. [7] -dene, B. [8] -dne, B. [9] peocan, B. [10] þ á, B. [11] ⁊lang dic, omitted, B. [12] þa, B. [13] þonan, B. [14] Grafan, B. [15] Thrün, S. [16] -non, B. [17] Treope, B. [18] Onfenge, B. [19] Alfnod, altered, MS. [20] See No. 1026.

1023. *Grant by King Eadred to the thegn Burhelm, of land at Swinford, on the R. Stour, co. Stafford.*

BURHELMES BOC A ON ECE ERFE.

✠ In nomine cosmi salvatoris et humani generis redemptoris Jhesu Christi domini nostri qui solus cum patre et cum spiritu sancto regnum tenet immortale. Assidue contingere solet ut bene precessorum decreta per momenta temporum spatia velut quodam furve caliginis nube tegantur nisi cyrographorum cautionibus fideliumque personarum sub testimonium plurimorum adstipulante roborata fuerint.

Qua de re ego EADRED rex Anglorum cæterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector dedi cuidam meo ministro vocitato nomine BURHELM. VI. mansas agelluli in illo loco ubi ruricole appellativo usu ludibundisque vocabulis nomen imposuerunt SPINFORD. quatinus habeat ac perpetualiter possideat quamdiu vivat et post se cuicumque voluerit eternaliter derelinquat alieni vel extranei in campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. Sit hoc prædictum rus liber ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus præter arcem atque pontem agonisque obsequium.

✠ His metis præfatum rus hinc inde giratur. Ærest on spynford. of spinforda on pecges ford. of pecgesforda on ðeonfanforð. of deonfanforda in deonflinc ford. of deonflinc forda in holan bæce. of holan bæce in eorȝbrycge. of eorthbrycge in tigpellan. ꝥ spa in ymman holig. of ymman holigne in cudan dene. of cudan dene on ða ðic bufan foxcotun ⁊long dices to þam broce to þam stangedelfe. of tham stangedelfe be þære efese to pala crofte. of pala crofte in þone suðeran holan bæce. ⁊long bæces pið neoþan eostacote. ⁊long dices in grendelsmere. of grendelsmere in stancofan. of stancofan ⁊long dune on stiran mere. of stiran mere on þa strete. ⁊long stræte on þa stapelas of þan stapulum on pindofer of pindofere in acleg. of aclea to lusdune of lusdune on sicanbyrig. of sicanbyrig on þa stræte. et long stræte to meredic of mæredice on sture. ⁊long sture ꝥ eft[1] on Spinford.

Quam si quis face demonis subpositus aliquibus maculis turbare satagerit. sciat se de superis pulsu demonum in ima cadendum. nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit.

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus consensi.
✠ Ego Oscetel archiepiscopus non renui.

[1] Est, H.

✠ Ego Cynsige episcopus conclusi.
✠ Ego Adulf episcopus præpuncxi.
✠ Ego Ædelstan dux.
✠ Ego Ædelmond dux.
✠ Ego Alhhelm dux.
✠ Ego Ædelsige minister.
✠ Ƿulfhelm minister.
✠ Ælfƿold minister.
✠ Athelƿine minister.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ufa minister.

[A.] Registr. Album penes Decanum et capitulum Wellensis ecclesiæ (14-15 cent.). f. 260b.
[H.] Hardy's transcript in the Record Office.
[O.] Abridgment in MS. Cotton, Vitellius E. v. f. 124.

1024. *Grant by King Eadred to ——, of land at Beaddingaburn,*[1] *etc., in the Isle of Wight.*

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Ðis synd þara tƿegra hyda land gemæra to BEADDINGABURNAN. ærest of þam stanihtan forda suþ ⁊lang dices. oð þone suþ healf on ðone stan. þonon ƿest ⁊lang díc on tidearding mor. of þære díc norð ⁊lang mores be healfan more on þam gemyþum. ƿest ⁊lang beaddingaburnan on þone stanihtan fordan. ⁊ seo ut læs mid oþrum mannum gemære.

⁊ þis is þara þriddan hiƿisces land gemære æt linlande. of linlande norð ƿeard suð ⁊lang mearce on þone herpað. suð ⁊lang herpaþes on þone ricsihtan mere. þón ƿest on þa mearce. þón norð ⁊lang mearce on þa hæþenan byrgenan. of þam byrgenum norð ⁊lang mearc on þæne stan. þonon east on linlande norðƿeard. ⁊ seo ut læs ⁊ seo ƿudu læs mid oþrum mannum gemære[2].

✠ Ego[3] Eadred rex Anglorum prefatam donationem cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi.
✠ Ego Eadgar ejusdem regis frater consensi.
✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus sub signo agie crucis adquievi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus episcopus indeclinabiliter roboravi.
✠ Ego Cenƿald episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus corroboravi.
✠ Ego Brihthelm episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus conclusi.
✠ Æþelstan dux.
✠ Ædmund dux.
✠ Æþelstan dux.
✠ Byrhtferþ dux.

[1] The text of this charter has been erased to make room for later entries. See No. 1025.
[2] Id est, cum multis aliis pertinenciis, late gloss in margin, MS.
[3] K. omits all these subscriptions.

✠ Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Æþelgeard minister.
✠ Ælfeah minister.
✠ Ælfred minister. ✠.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Vespasian B. xxiv, f. 19b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCCCXXIII; from [A.].

1025. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Æþelgeard, of land at Beaddingaburn,*[1] *or Bangbourne, near Badbridge and Sandown, in the Isle of Wight.*

✠ In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi. Omnium visibilium et invisibilium rerum creatore inperpetuum regnante. et á summo celi fastigio omnia regnorum jura disponente. cunctis ea que sunt vera cernentibus manifestum est quod presentis vite prosperitas mundi strepitu defitiendo corrumpitur. Nunc igitur de rebus temporalibus si bene dispensentur eterna justitia comparatur.

Eo tenore ego EADWIG rex Anglorum multarumque gentium circumquaque persistentium gubernator et rector cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine ÆÞELGEARDO concedo in UECTA INSULA .V. mansas illo in loco ubi jam dudum ruricole illius terre nomen indiderunt ÆT BEADDINGABURNAN. quatinus habeat ac possideat in vita sua. et post se cui voluerit tribuat in eternam hereditatem. Sit autem predicta donatio ab omni mundiali obstaculo libera cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus. campis pascuis pratis silvis. exceptis tribus. expeditione pontis arcisvé coedificatione.

Si quis autem tetri demonis stimulatione instinctus. hoc nostrum decretum infringere voluerit: sit ipse sub Stigii fluminis unda preceps in ima Tartara trusus. nisi hic prius ad satisfactionem venire maluerit. Istis terminis ambitur [predicta tellus].[2]

Ðis synd þa gemære to beaddingaburnan. Ærest of beaddingaburnan east ⁊lang díc on þone stan. þonon suð ⁊lang þes grenan peges on þone oðerne stan. of þam stane on þone sandihtan harepoþ. þonon on risc mere. of risc mere on stan beorg. þón. on holan broc. of holan broce on beaddingaburnan. siþþan norð ⁊lang beaddingaburnan on þa east langan dic.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Vespasian B. xxiv, f. 20.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXXV; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 458.

[1] Bedingeborne, *Domesday Book*, f. 39b, col. 1.

[2] These two words erased, but still visible, MS.

1026. *Grant by King Adwig to the thegn Wlgar Leofa, of land at Shaftesbury, co. Dorset.* A.D. 958.

HEC EST INSCRIPCIO ADWIG REGIS DE[1] CASSATIS APUD SHAFTESBURY.

Domino dominorum dominante in secula seculorum regna regnorum hujus presentis seculi transeant[2] sicut ignominica ⁊ locus hujus mundi peribit et[3] sunt eterna[4] set superna eterna sunt.

Quamobrem ego ADWIG Rex Anglorum gubernator ⁊ rector uni meorum karorum quem cordetenus diligo vocitato nomine WLGAR LEOFA[5] modicam partem terre id est[1] cassatos perpetualiter concedo in illo loco ubi Anglica more appellacione dicitur AT SCEAFTESBERI. habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit. heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum eterna libertate jocundum cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis exceptis istis tribus expedicione pontis arcisve construccione.

Si quis vero hoc nostrum karisma aliqua machinacione infringere conatus fuerit. veniam non hic mereatur nec in futuro regni celestis clavigerum propicium habeat nisi prius hic ad satisfactionem venire maluerit. Predicta siquidem tellus hiis terminis circumcincta clarescit.:

Ꞇ Ðis sant þe landimare at Scaftesberi. Arest of bogen pylle on brandes hricg ⁊lang hrichtes on bytelesmor. of bitelesmore : on pyndrede dic. of þare diche : on bokenwelle.

Ꞇ Hec carta scripta est Anno dominice Incarnacionis. DCCCC LVIII Indictione Iª.

Ꞇ Ego Adwig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi. ✠.
Ego Alfsinus presul sigillum agie Crucis impressi. ✠.
Ego Byrhtelm consignavi. ✠.
Ego Osulf confirmavi ⁊ ceteri. ✠.

[A.] MS. Harl. 61, f. 16b. | (K.) Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. [illegible]; from (A.) Boundaries in vol. iii, p. [illegible].

[1] Blank space in MS. [2] -eunt, K. [3] *Non* appears to be wanting here; *cf.* No. 992. [4] Externa, K. [5] See No. 1022, ad finem.

1027. *Grant by King Eadwig to his "homo" Eadheah, of land at Escford and Byohylle.* A.D. 958.

ÐIS IS ÞARÆ ÞRIDDAN HEALFAN HIDE BOC ÆT ÆSCFORDA ⁊ ÆT BEOHYLLE ÞE EADƿIG CING GEBOCODE EADEAGE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECE YRFE.

Christo theo in seculorum secula . cœlum terramque regente humanum genus ab ortu suo usque ad mortem deficiendo videtur . sed prius omnium virtutum amator qui nos cupit devitare malum sectarique bonum cotidie de lacrimarum valle ad celestia regna nos ire feliciter monstrat .

Vnde ego EADƿIG rex Anglorum gubernator ⁊ rector cuidam meo fideli homine vocitato vocamine EADHEAH modicam numinis mei partem terræ id est duas mansas ⁊ dimidiam ⁊ insuper . XXV . segetes . illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur ÆT ESCFORDA ⁊ ÆT BYOHYLLE perpetualiter concedo . ut habeat ac possideat quam diu vivat . ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit eternaliter derelinquat . Sit autem predictum rus liber'um' ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . sine expeditione ⁊ pontis arcísve constructione . Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit . sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo ⁊ angelis ejus . nisi prius hic digna satisfactione emendare maluerit . Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus .

Ðis synt þe land·gemere to Æscforda ⁊ to beohille . Erest on ƿon broces ford þoñ ⁊lang dices on luhhambeorh þoñ on an repæ þonon on ane díc þonon on annæ ƿeg ⁊lang ƿeges on stanford þonon eft on anne ƿeg oþ hit cymð eft an ane dic ⁊lang díc to holan broces heafdum ⁊lang broces on anne stanihtne ford þonon east on ane díc ⁊lang dices to fileþ leage forda up on st'r'eam on anne hagan ⁊lang hagan on holancumbes land scare þonon on ane díc þonon on rupan cnól þonon on anne hagan þonon on þet spelgend þonon on anne broc þonon to linor ⁊lang linor to æscforda þonon to þere díc ƿale þonon on piþig slæd þonon to holan broce of þam broce on ane díc . þonon eft on ƿon broces ford . þonon is her butan þam gemæne les stræt . þonon synt þær manega hylla þæ man erien mæg .

Hæc carta caraxata est anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCCLVIII . Indictione . I .

[E]go Eadƿig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem concessi .
Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agye crucis impressi .
[E]go Byrhthelm . episcopus consignavi .

[E]go Ospulf . episcopus . adquievi .
[E]go Byrhthelm . episcopus conscripsi .
[E]go Alfpold . episcopus non rennui .
[E]go Daniel . episcopus conclusi .

Eadmund dux .	Eadric minister .
Æþelsige dux .	Ælfred minister .
Ælfgar dux .	Ælfric minister .
Byrhtfærh dux .	Ælfsie minister .
Ælfeah dux .	Ealdred minister .

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 67b. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. mccxx; from [A.]

1028. *Grant by King Eadwig to the thegn Eadric, of land at Wurðe or Worth, in Farringdon, co. Berks.* A.D. 958.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE WRÞE.

Christo theo in seculorum secula celum terraque regente humanum genus ab ortu suo fluere usque ad mortem deficiendo videtur. Set p'i'us omnium virtutum amator qui nos cupit devitare malum sectarique bonum cotidie de lacrimarum valle ad celestia regna que nostrarum mentium sensus excedunt ire feliciter monstrat quia eterna sanctorum gaudia nunc cogitatione penetrari possunt.

Vnde ego . EADPIG . rex Saxonum cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine . EADRIC . XXX . mansas perpetualiter concedo illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur . ÆT PURDE . ut terram jam prefatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus suę possideat vite . deinceps namque sibi succedenti cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu predixi in eternam hereditatem . Sit autem predictum rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus que ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . sine expeditione ⁊' pontis arcisve instructione . Minuentibus vero atque frangentibus hanc donationem quod opto absit a fidelium mentibus . fiat pars eorum cum illis de quibus econtra fatur . "Discedite a me maligni in ignem eternum qui paratus est Satane ⁊ satellitibus ejus". Nisi prius digna Deo penitentia veniam legali satisfaccione emundet . Predicta siquidem tellus istis terminis circumcincta clarescit .

Mete. Ðis sint þa land gemære æt purþe þara þritiga hida . ærest on stan bricgge . of stan b'r'icgge east onlang temese þæt hit cymð to cing hæma gemære suð ondlang gemæres þæt hit cimð to þam heafud stoccun . of þam heafod stoccun up on pernan hylle

to þam þorne of þæm þorne ondlang mearce on eccene ondlang stremes oð hit sticað on cearninga gemære ondlang mearce þat hit sticað on heantunninga gemære.

Hæc carta scripta est anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC . LVIII . indictione . XVI[a].

✠ Ego Eaduui rex Anglorum : indeclinabiliter concessi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Ælfuuald episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfric dux.

✠ Ego Ælfgar	minister.	✠ Ego Uulfric	minister.
✠ Ego Ælfheah		✠ Ego Eadric	
✠ Ego Byrhtferð		✠ Ego Ealfuuold	
✠ Ego Ælfred		✠ Ego Eadric	
✠ Ego Ælfsige		✠ Ego Leofric	
✠ Ego Ælfric		✠ Ego Beorhtnoð	
✠ Ego Ælfuuig		✠ Ego Uulfhere	
✠ Ego Uulfgar		✠ Ego Ælfnoð	
✠ Ego Ælfsige		✠ Ego Uuynsige	

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 60*b*.
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 245.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXXII; from [A.]

1029. *Grant by King Eadwig to Oscytel, [Arch]Bishop [of York], of land at Suðwell, or Southwell, co. Nottingham.* A.D. 958.

✠ Domino nostro Jhesu Christo in perpetuum regnante. Visibilia et invisibilia, temporalia et æternalia, ab ips[o] erunt discernenda.

Et ideo ego EADWY rex Anglorum, pro amore domini nostri Jhesu Christi, cuidam meo desiderabili episcopo OSCYTELLO concedo partem meæ telluris ubi dicitur AT SUÐÞELLAN . XX . mansas in hæreditatem cum pascuis . pratis . silvis . et omnibus ad se rite majoris minorisve pertinentibus: quamdiu vixerit eam utiliter possideat; et post illius transitum cuicumque sibi videtur, sive notis sive ignotis, derelinquat. Sit autem hæc donatio regis prædicta ab omni obstaculo mundiali præter hiis tribus pontis expeditione et arcis constructione et hostilitate.

Si quis vero catholicorum aut ortodoxorum hanc donationem regis augere voluerit augeat illi Deus temporalia bona; si vero minuere aut violare, sciat se cum apostatis inferno inferiori demersum esse, nisi in hac mortali vita ante obitum emendaverit quod inique gessit.

Istis terminis circumcincta videtur terra esse. Hir[1] sinda dā landgemare[2] into Sudpellan. of dam forda ⁊lang greotan[3] sid se ealdartreau þo est be eastan ⁊ be sudan dam grete[4] þon ge rihte ðurh nipatunes brok sofot on streotan up be broce be sudan sunningale holme þ on bradan lege þe astey forde þan on to coitan of coitan ⁊lang strat on holan broc ⁊lang broces þ up be þan hlm̃ecan furlang pid innan þane graf þ ut on þa ac of þ fre ac a be þan heafdan on þone nordran þorn of þā þorne on streatan ⁊lang streatan ꝥ eft[5] on þone ford.

Hir sint þa longemaere et Normantune. of streatan to þere dichacce andlang þan hagan on þaene broc and lang broces þ on þa dene ⁊lang dene a be þan heafdan[6] on dam lenbroc of þan on luse a be þare lucse on þa ealdarn [s]treot ⁊lang stract þ eft[5] on steotan.

Hir sindan hocer puda of þe fre strat ofer þaene mor to dreas haga nordepeardan þanen up to dare aeppeltreou of þere appelstreou on gerihte[7] ofer mid þaene miclan beorh in on þaene mor on þ fule fleot ⁊lang fleotes þ eft[5] on streatan.

Hir sint þa landegmare to Fiscetune. ⁊lang Streotan on Traentan on haseleford[8] of dam forda and lang streot[9] to moorn dune of sẏ forndune on gerihton on nipantunes broc[10] ⁊ lang broces þ east[11] on streotan.

Hir sint dam tunes de birad in to Sudpellan mid sacce ⁊ mid sacne Fearnes feld[12]. Cyrlingtune[13]. Nordmantune[14]. Uptune[15]. Mortune[16]. Fiscertune[17]. Gyþesmere[18]. Blise mere[19]. Geofertune[20]. Healhtune[21]. Healum[22]. on Fearnes felda ge byrað tpega[23] manna hlot landes in to Sudpellan on Healum are seoxta acer ⁊ dreon

[1] These paragraphs appear to be hopelessly corrupt in many places. [2] The scribe writes *s* for *g* in this and several other words in this paragraph. [3] River Greet. [4] Oscte, MS. [5] Est, MS. [6] Heasidan, MS. [7] Ferlite, MS. [8] Haselford Ferry, over River Trent. [9] Riseot, MS., for Greot. [10] Myantunes brot, MS. [11] *For* eft. [12] Farnsfeld. [13] Kirklington. [14] Normanton. [15] Upton. [16] Morton. [17] Fiskerton. [18] Gibsmere, or Gipesmere. [19] ? Bleasby. [20] Goverton. [21] Halloughton. [22] Halam, co. Notts. All these places are in the vicinity of Southwell. For boundary names see R. P. Shilton, *Hist. of Southwell*, 1818; Thoroton, *Hist. of Nottinghamshire*, 1790, vol. iii, p. 71 (ed. Throsby); W. Dickinson [Rastall], *Antiquities .... in Nottinghamshire*, 1801, vol. i, p. 387, etc. [23] Tyem, MS.

manna Hlot on Norman tone a se dridda acer on Fiscestune dā tpegen dales ⁊ feoper manna hlot ealles dans landes.

Acta est prefata donatio anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCCLVIII. indictione. XIIII.

✠ Ego Eadwi rex cum consensu episcoporum et doctorum meorum sancto sigillo expressi.
✠ Ego Odo archiepiscopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Eagelr[1] frater regis subscripsi.
✠ Ego Oscytel archiepiscopus corroboravi.

Alsi episcopus.
Daniel episcopus.
Brihtelmus episcopus.
Elewaldus episcopus.
Wlfsi episcopus.
Aðulf episcopus.
Eadmund dux[2].
Æðelstan dux.
Gunnere dux.
Adelsi dux.
Aðelmund dux.
Urm dux.
Alfere dux.
Aðelpald dux.
Leot dux.
Uhred dux.
Anfred dux.

Elfeh minister.
Wlfric minister.
Alfsi minister.
Alfric minister.
Alsi minister.
Eadric minister.
Eadwald minister.
Aifwald minister.
Alfsi minister.
Osulf minister.
Ospard minister.
Alfpine minister.
Ospy minister.
Wlfric minister.
Byrnric minister.
Adelsi minister.

[A.] "Reg. Alb. Dec. et Cap. Ebor." (Kindly collated, and boundaries supplied, by Rev. Canon Raine.)

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXXII; from [A.], very incorrectly, and boundaries omitted.

1030. *Grant by King Eadwic to the thegn Ælfheah, his kinsman, of land at the pear-tree near Ugford and Wilton, on the River Noddre, or Naddler, co. Wilts.* A.D. 956 *for* 958.[3]

...IS HIS ÞARE. FEOPER HIDA BOC BE NODDRE ÆT ÞARE PYRIGEAN. ÞE EADPIC CYNG GEBOCODE. ÆLFHEAHE HIS MÆGE ON ECE YRFE.

In nomine Dei summi atque omnium sanctorum Ego EADWIC. : Anglorum atque Bryttanorum Cernens mundi fragilitatem.

[1] Eadgar, K. [2] Episcopus, K.

[3] K. dates this charter 959, but in his working copy, Add. MS. 32,127, corrected ... ? 958.

adque eaducam vitam quia sicut umbra pretereunt opes potentum et ea que olim a preteritis regibus visa sunt Nunc nostris temporibus videri non possunt . Et qui antea auro gemmis purpura splendide nitebant modo urnis tenebrosis recondita sunt . Talia ego considerans et hiis similia multa que nunc non possunt per omnia esse recitanda Inde mihi videtur quod ex ipso regimine quem mihi omnipotens dominus concessit cuicumque voluero dedero aut plura aut pauca territoria et cetera que ipso usui sunt pertinentia unicuique secundum suum servitium . nunc omnibus vobis notum facio quod quandam meo dilecto ministro atque propinquo ÆLFHEAGO nomine particulam terre inpendo quatuor mansos juxta flamen que ab antiquis et modernis NODDRE vocatur ad finitate arbore que dicitur PYRUM[1] . Vt evo suo feliciter possideat cum omnia[2] ad se rite pertinentia[2] . pascuis . pratis . et campis tali indictione vivendo aut post exitum suum cuicumque voluerit det libero arbitrio exceptis tribus rebus arcium munitione expeditione et pontis constructione . Hec supradicta terra taliter est precincta .

Si quis hoc meum donum servaverit aut augere voluerit Autgeat[3] dominus nomen ejus in libro vite et si quispiam quod absit machinamenta antiqui hostis subripere voluerit sciat se sodalem carnificis Jude et demersum tetris inferni conligatumque catenis Satane sine fine nisi penitentie episcopali sententie[4] emendaverit .

Hec cartula scripta est . Anno ab incarnatione domini . DCCCC . LVI . Regnante Eadwic . rege . Anno quarto imperii ejus . Indictione II . Confinia terriculæ istius taliter sunt sita .

Þis synt þara feoper hida land gemera be noddre æt þære pyrgean . Arest of noddre and lang þes port her paðes on þone garan ꝥ and lang þare land ge pirþa up to hricg dic pest and lang þare dic on beornolfes stan . ⁊ spa forð on þa rugan hylle . þonene adune rihte on ðone hæðenan byrgels . of þan hæðenan byrgelse on þone stanigan beorh . of þan stanigan beorge oð ða hefada[5] pest be heafdan æt þa fore yrðe . and spa forð on gate hlinces heafde . ⁊ spa adune to þam port herpaþe . þonan on ucganford[6] . and spa adune and lang streames on þa mylen pare . of þare mylen pare to þare spete apuldre . þonne eft on þone herpað þær pe ær on fengan ;

Ego Eadwic . basileus Anglorum cum triumpho sancte crucis confirmo .

Ego Byrhtelm episcopus adfirmavi .

[1] Or pyrium, MS. [2] -bus, K. [3] Aug., K. [4] -tia, K.
[5] Heafda, K. [6] Ugford, near Wilton.

Ego Osulf episcopus conclusi.
Ego Byrhtelm episcopus consensi.
Ego Alfpold episcopus adquievi.
Ego Daniel episcopus corroboravi.
Aelfric abbas.
Alfpold abbas.
Aþelpold abbas.
Clemens abbas.
Eadmund dux.
Aelfgar minister.
Byhferð minister.
Eadric minister.
Ospig minister.
Aelfsige minister.
Wulfgar minister.
Sigferð minister.
Wulfric minister.
Ealdred minister.
Eadred minister.
Eelfere minister.
Aelfred minister.
Aelfsige minister.
Alfpold minister.
Aelfric minister.
Aþelbriht minister.
Wihtsige minister.
Aþelpeard minister.
Leofa minister.
Ealdred minister.
Ordgar minister.
Ospeard minister.
Osulf minister.
Wensige minister.
Wulfhere minister.
Aelfric minister.
Eadric minister.
Alfpold minister.

[A.] Harl. MS. 436, f. 45b.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCCLXXXIX; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 653.

1031. *Grant by King Eadwig to the Matron Ælfswiþ, his kinswoman, of land at Cymesing, or Kemsing, co. Kent.*[1]

ÞIS IS PARE. X. HIDA BOC ÆT CYMESING. ÞE EADRIC CING GEBOCODE ÆLFSPIÞE HIS MAGAN ON ECHE YRFE.

In nomine Dei summi et altissimi. Certis astipulationibus nos sancti et justi patres frequentivis ortationibus adr nent ut Deum quem diligimus et credimus intima mentis affecti .e cum bonorum operum diligentia incessanter eum timeamus e' .memus.

Quapropter. Ego EADPIG. rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector. Cuilibet matrone vocitato nomine. ÆLFSPIÞ. X. secundum astimationem cassatorum

[1] *Cf.* Nos. 370, 797, for earlier notices of Kemsing, which was the birthplace, and contains the miraculous Holy Well, of St. Edith, natural daughter of King Eadgar, and afterwards Patron Saint of Wilton. Hoare (*Hist. of Wilts, Hund. of Branch and Dole*, p. 82) thinks that Wilton Abbey (of which A. is a chartulary) may have subsequently obtained this land at Kemsing by her means. She was not born at the date of this charter; for she died, according to Dugdale, *Mon. Angl.*, vol. ii, p. 316, at the age of twenty-three, in A.D. 984.

aliquam partem terre perpetualiter concedo . illo in loco ubi prisco relatu dicitur . ÆT CYMESING . dum vero vitali spiramen suum foverit corpus animo jocundo nostra dapsili deditione perfruatur . decurso scilicet sue curriculo vite heredi cui voluerit impendat inperpetuum carisma . Hec . . . .

[A.] MS. Harl. 436, f. 80*b*. The text ends at bottom of the page, and the continuation of the next page is lost.

[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. CCCCLXXVI; from [A.]

1032. *Grant by King Eaduuig to the thegn Æduuold, of land at Draitone, or Drayton, near Wantage and Abingdon, co. Berks.* A.D. 958.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DE DRAITUNA .

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi Anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC . LVIII . indictione . I. . Ego EADUUIG omnicreantis disponente clementia Angligenarum rex divino ductus amore ab eodem Deo ⁊ domino nostro populis ⁊ tribubus preordinatus in regem anno imperii mei . IIII° . non immemor fui quomodo ⁊ quam mirabiliter omnia supernus rector firme rationis serie gubernat atque custodit idcirco cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine ÆDUU'O'LDO . X . mansas eternaliter concedo . illic ubi Anglica appellatione dicitur ÆT DRAITUNE . ut habeat ac possideat quamdiu vitalis flatus aluerit corpus . Cum autem dissolutionis sue dies advenerit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum æterna libertate jocundum . cum universis que pertinent sibi . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . sine expeditione . ⁊ pontis . arcisve instructione . Si quis vero hominum hanc meam donationem cum stultitiæ temeritate jactitando infringere certaverit sit ipse gravibus per colla depressus catenis inter flammivomas tetrorum demonum catervas nisi prius hic ad . satisfactionem venire maluerit .

Mete de Draitona.[1] Istis terminis ambitur predicta tellus. Ðis sind þa land gemæra to Draitune æcer under æcer . ærest[2] of englafes forda on dyþmere þonon on lacing[3] ⁊lang lacing on ceale ford þonon on mær dic ⁊lang dic on mydeling[4] þonon on panetinge[5] ⁊lang paneting[6] on oeccene[7] þonone[8] on þa ealdan dic ⁊lang dic[9] on englafes ford .

[1] Termini . X . mansarum apud Draitun, rubric, B. [2] B. begins here. [3] Laking, B. [4] Mydedic, B. [5] -incg, B. [6] ⁊lang paneting, omitted, B. [7] Eoc., B. [8] -one, B. [9] ⁊lang dic, omitted, B.

✠ Ego Eaduuig rex Anglorum prefatam donationem concessi .

✠ Ego Oda archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi .

✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi .

✠ Ego Byrhthelm episcopus consignavi .

✠ Ego Osulf episcopus adquievi .

✠ Ego Byrhthelm episcopus corroboravi .

✠ Ego Uulfsige episcopus non renui .

✠ Ego Aluuold episcopus conclusi .

✠ Ego Eadmund dux .

✠ Ego Ælfsige dux .	✠ Ego Ælfric minister .
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister .	✠ Ego Ælfsige minister .
✠ Ego Byrhtferð minister .	✠ Ego Uulfgar minister .
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister .	✠ Ego Ælfuuig minister .
✠ Ego Æþelgeard minister .	✠ Ego Eadric minister .
✠ Ego Ælfred minister .	✠ Ego Æþelsige minister .

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 61.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 197 b. Boundaries only.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXIII; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 247.

1033. *Grant by King Adric [Eadwig] to the thegn Wlfgar, of land at Thornton, in the parish of Marnhull, near Shaftesbury, co. Dorset.* A.D. 958.

In nomine domini nostri Jhesu Christi . Scilicet ea que secundum legem canonicam ac disposicionem ordinantur ac constituantur[1] . licet solus sermo concludat . tamen fidelissimis scripturis et documentis sunt commendanda ne in oblivione succidencium[2] fiat aliqua ignavia torpitudinis priorum constitucionum .

Quamobrem ego ADRIC[3] Rex Anglorum gubernator ⁊ rector cuidam meo fideli ministro . quem nonnulli vocitant noto vocamine WLFGAR modicam partem terre . id est . tres mansas duobus in locis . illic ubi Anglica more appellacione dicitur ÆT ÞORNTUNE ut habeat ac possideat quamdiu vivat et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem . Maneat autem predictum Rus liberum ab omni mundiali obstaculo . cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus campis . pratis . pascuis . silvis . exceptis istis tribus expedicione pontis arcisve construccione .

[1] -untur, K. [2] Succed., K. [3] Eadwig, K.

Si quis vero hoc nostrum icarisma[1] aliqua machinacione infringere conatus fuerit veniam non hic mereatur . nec in futuro regni celestis clavigerum propitium habeat nisi prius hic ad satisfaccionem emendare malucrit . Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur .

Þis sant ðа land i mare at þortune . þe ierð in to Hamtune arest ⁝ on arcetham . of archethamme ⁝ on Rumanhelle . þanen of breþling made ꝥ on ƿigerðes stapel . þanen ⁝ to tudesleghe of þere lege ⁝ be kinges imare on blinnesfeld . þanen be wde on þere hinc imare anlang mares ꝥ on ealdmannes ƿyerðe þanan on þa seales . of þan sealen þat eft on arcetham .

And þis sent þe tweire hide land imare þe cyna achte þe ealde arest on ipern[2] broc of þane broke ⁝ on þe lang dich . þan on þene weie . anlang weies to late mere . þane onlang sledes ⁝ on ða smale þornes . þanne on ða dich . þanne swo be diche ⁝ on cranemere . of cranemere eft . on ipern[2] broc .

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnacionis DCCCC LVIII . Iudictione Iª ⁝

Ego Adƿid[3] Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi . ✠ .
Ego Alfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi . ✠ .
Ego Berhtelm episcopus adquievi . ✠ .
Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi . ✠ .
Ego Berhtelm episcopus consignavi . ✠ .
Ego Alwold episcopus subscripsi . ✠ .

Ego Admund dux . ✠ .	Ego Alfred minister . ✠ .
Ego Aethelside dux . ✠ .	Ego Alfsige minister . ✠ .
Ego Aluric dux . ✠ .	Ego Alfwig minister . ✠ .
Ego Alfech minister . ✠ .	Ego Leofa minister . ✠ .
Ego Alfgar minister . ✠ .	Ego Adric minister . ✠ .
Ego Bierferþ minister . ✠ .	Ego Wluric minister . ✠ .

[A.] MS. Harl. 61, f. 6. | [K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. CCCCLXXIV; from [A.] Boundaries in vol. iii, p. 452.

1034. *Grant by King Eaduuig to the thegn Uulfric, of land at Deneccesuurthe, or Denchworth, near Childrey, co. Berks.* A.D. 958.

CARTA REGIS EDWII DENCHESWRTHE .

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo . Omnium visibilium et invisibilium rerum creatore in perpetuum regnante ⁊ a summo celi fastigio omnia regnorum jura disponente cunctis

[1] For incarisma, see No. 940; carisma, K. [2] Ipera. K. [3] Eadwig. K.

ea que sunt vera cernentibus manifestum est quod presentis vite prosperitas mundi strepitu deficiendo corrumpitur. Nunc igitur de rebus temporalibus si bene dispensentur eterna justicia comparatur. Vnde ego EADUUIG Rex Anglorum gubernator ⁊ rector cuidam meo fidelissimo ministro qui ab incunabulis sue infantilitatis nomen accepit UULFRIC. V. cassatos perpetualiter concedo. in illo loco ubi ruricole appellativo usu ludibundisque vocabulis nomen indiderunt ÆT 'DE'NECESUURÞE. habeat autem possideatque vite sue tempore meum regale[1] donum ⁊ postquam universita'ti's viam adierit cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem. Sit autem predicta terra cum omnibus ad se Rite pertinentibus libera. campis. pascuis. pratis. silvis. excepto communi labore. expeditione pontis. arcisve constructione. Si quis autem quod non optamus hanc nostram donationem infringere vel mutare satagerit horribiles inferni fusci valvas sentiat atque terribiles demonum cohortes suis obtutibus dementer[2] aspiciat.

Mete de Denchesuurþe.[3] Istis terminis hec tellus ambita videtur. Đis sind þa land gemæro æt dencesuurþe. ærest[4] on cilla Riþe ꝥ pest on muttic on þa dic on ordulfes gemæro[5] to ceapan[6] hlæpe[7] ⁊lang dic on land broc ⁊lang broces to þam norþarn[8] denecespurþe[9] gemæra[10] þonon east ryhte[11] eft on cillan riþe þonon[12] þær sud[13] þær per[14] onfengon þat[12] licgað þær þa þreo hida on þan[15] norþan[8] denecespyrðe undaelede[16].

✠ Ego Eaduuig Rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi.
✠ Ego Ælfsinus presul sigillum agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelm consignavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus confirmavi.
✠ Ego Alfuuold episcopus adquievi.
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus non renui.
✠ Ego Eadmund dux.
✠ Ego Æþelsige dux.
✠ Ego Ælfric dux.
✠ Ego Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Ælfred minister.
✠ Ego Ælfuuig minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Uulfgar minister.
✠ Ego Uulfric minister.

Hec carta scripta est anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC. LVIII. indictione. Iª.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 63.
[B.] MS. Cotton, Claudius C. ix, f. 197. Boundaries only.
[C.] MS. Harl. 66, f. 194. (Paper transcript.)
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXV; from [A. B.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 262.

[1] Regare, A. [2] Demnentur, A. S. [3] Mete Denceswrðe. v. mansarum sunt hæc, rubric, B. [4] B. begins here: Ærest. [5] -re, B. [6] Ceapan, B. [7] Hlepe, B. [8] Norðran, B. [9] -pyrðe, B. [10] Gem., omitted, B. [11] Rihte, B. [12] þonne, B. [13] Suð, B. [14] pe ær, B. K. [15] þam, B. [16] Uudælede, K.

1035. *Grant by King Eadwuig to his "propincernarius" Keneric, of land at Cern, or Charney-Bassett, near West Hanney, co. Berks.* A.D. 958.

CARTA REGIS EDUUII DE CERN.

Regnante perhenniter Christo. Quid enim est in hac vita melius quam in his terrenis caducisque celestia ⁊ mansura mercari quia omne quod videtur temporaliter deficit id vero quod non videtur sine intermissione permanebit?

Qua de re ego EADUUIG rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator ⁊ rector cuidam meo fidelissimo propincernario KENERICO nomine duas cassaturas perpetualiter concedo in illo loco ubi ruricole antiquo usu nomen indiderunt. ÆT CERN. Quatenus ille bene perfruatur ac possideat quam diu vivat. ⁊ post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat in eternam hereditatem. Sit autem predictum rus liberum ob omni mundiali obstaculo cum omnibus ad se rite pertinentibus excepto communi labore expeditione pontis arcisve constructione.

Si quis autem infringere temptaverit quod absit. sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo ⁊ angelis ejus nisi prius hic digna satisfaccione emendare maluerit. Predicta siquidem tellus istis terminis circumcincta clarescit. Peracta est autem ista donatio libera anno. DCCCC. LVIII. ab incarnatione dominica. IIII°. anno volvente mei imperii.

Mdc. Ðis sint þa land ge mæro cinrices by Cern þara twegra hyda ærest þære lund[1] score broc scyt on cern[2]. þonen of land score broce on þæt ænlipe ellyn. þonne of þan ænlupan[3] ellynne on hodduces hancgran. of hodduces hancgran on þa ænlypan ac. ⁊ of þære ace[4] on þæne hearapod[5]. þonon anlang hearpodes[6] oð þere þorn of þær þorne on aniges ham of haniges hamme on cern þonne of cern on þone broc. of þan broce on hæðennan byriels. of þan hæðenan byrielse on heað dune on stod lege get. of þæne gete on þone broc. andlang broces eft on cern.

✠ Ego Eaduuing rex Angol Saxonum hoc donum cum triumpho agie crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelmus presul confirmavi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus consensi.
✠ Ego Byrhtelmus episcopus condictavi.
✠ Ego Ælfuuoldus episcopus assignavi.

[1] Land, K. [2] Cern, in Dorsetshire (!) S., vol. ii, 514, 559. [3] Ænlupan, S.
[4] Ace, S. [5] Hearawod, S. [6] Hearwodes, S.

✠ Ego Daniel episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Ælfgar regis propinquus t[1].
✠ Ego Byrhtferð ejusdem frater t[1].
✠ Ego Ealdred regis discifer t[1].
✠ Ego Ælfuuig regis princerna t[1].
✠ Ego Ordgar Minister. ✠ Ego Byrhtnoð Minister.
✠ Ego Leoua Minister. ✠ Ego Byrhtric Minister.
✠ Ego Eadric Minister. ✠ Ego Æðelsie Minister.

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B. vi, f. 61b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXIV; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 249.

1036. *Grant by King Eadgar to the thegn Eanulf, of land at Ducklington,*[2] *on the River Windrush, near Witney, co. Oxon.* A.D. 958.[3]

CARTA EDGARI REGIS DE DUCLINTUN[4].

Anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi. DCCCCLVIII. indiccione. I.

Ego EADGAR divina allubescente gratia Rex ⁊ primicerius Merciorum aliquantulam Ruris partem quater denis estimatam mansiunculis necnon et quadraginta jugeribus in loco qui dicitur DUCLINGTUN[4]. EANULFO ministro meo liberam preter arcem pontum[5] expeditionemque in perpetuum jus libenter admodum concedo quatinus diebus vite sue possideat et post se cuicumque voluerit heredi derelinquat. Quod si quisque quod non optamus hujusce donationis cartulam adnichilare temptaverit. coram Christo se rationem Redditurum agnoscat: et his limitibus hec telluris pars circumgirari[6] videtur.

Mete. Þis sindon þa land gemæro to Duclingtune[4]. XIIII. hida ⁊ þa ealdan cyricean æt æstlea ⁊ þær to. XL. æcera. ⁊ byrnan lea eal into[7] Duclingtune. Ærest of duclingtune on peric[8] ⁊ lang penrices on þone byge of þam byge on þa ealdan lace. ⁊ lang lace on þa norð ea ⁊ lang streames on folgor hyrste neoþepearde þonon on þa ealdan dic. ⁊ lang dic ꝥ suð eft on pænric up on gean stream on þone ealdan ford. of þone forda up on þa Riþe an furlang pið svþan þa cyrican ⁊ lang Riþe on þa purtpalan ꝥ ut þurh þone hagan

[1] K. and S. extend the contraction t̄ in A. into testificavi. It may, however, be read *testis*, or *testor*.

[2] Duddington, near Stamford, co. Northampton, or Donnington in Berkshire (?), S., vol. ii, 515, *n.*

[3] According to S., ii, 515, for 959.

[4] Dudin., S.

[5] -tem, K.

[6] -gyr., K.

[7] Into, reduplicated, MS.

[8] Wenric, K.

on burh dic ufeuuearde . of þære dic on þa ealdan Rode of þære rode on scot't'es healh of þam heale on uuenburge byrgge of þæra[1] brucge on þa dic . ꝥ lang dices on east hæma gemære on þone bige to þan heafdan on gate þyrnan . of þære þyrnan on blace þyrnan on þa dic of þære þyrnan to uurt palan to þan furan ꝥ lang fura on þa ealdan dic to þan ellere[2] ꝥ lang dices to þan oþern ellene . of þan ellene to þære apoldre ðanon to æglesuullan broce up on gean stream on stanford of þan forda on fugelslæd of þam slæde on coluullan broc ꝥ lang broces on spyllan healas . of þan healan on hastinges lace ꝥ lang lace on þone ea stream . ꝥ tpegan hammas æt loppede þorne hyrað in to Duclingdune[3] .

Et hujus doni constipulatores exstiterunt quorum inferius nomina caraxari videntur .

✠ Ego Oscutel	episcopus consensi subscripsi.	✠ Ego Aþelsige	Minister.
✠ Ego Dunstan		✠ Ego Ælfsige	
✠ Ego Cynesige		✠ Ego Ufa	
✠ Ego Aþulf .		✠ Ego O.ferð	
✠ Ego Ælfere	dux .	✠ Ego Uuinsige	
✠ Ego Aþelmund		✠ Ego Aþeluuold	
✠ Ego Aþelstan		✠ Ego Ælfuuine	
✠ Ego Aþeluuold		✠ Ego Byrhtferd	
✠ Ego Byrhtnoð		✠ Ego Ælfuuine	

[A.] MS. Cotton, Claudius B.vi, f. 73b.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXVIII; from [A.]
[S.] *Chron. Abingd.*, ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. 202.

1037. *Grant, by King Eadgar to the Earl Æðelstan, of land at Ham,*[4] *co. Wilts.* A.D. 958.

ÐIS IS ÞÆRA LAND BOC TO HAMME . ÞE EADGAR CING GE BOCADE ADELSTANE BISCEOPE ON ÆCE YRFE .

Anno (*etc., as in No.* 1036) . . . . . primicherius . . . . . partem quinis ab accolis estimatam mansiunculis in loco qui dicitur HAMME . ÆDELSTANO comiti meo liberam . . . . . videtur .

Ærest óf eadelmes díc on stoc flíót . of þám flíóte to ilmere ꝥlang pynsies mearce on þone langan þórn . of þam þornæ on pehinc leage þanon on byrc mære ꝥlang mære on þara hina mearcæ ꝥlang mearæ to[5] portan beorge þanon on bæde pyllan . ꝥlang pylle þæt innán hile ꝥlang ealdan hilæ æt þera hina mæde

[1] ðære, K. [2] Ellene, K. [3] -tune, K.; Dudingdune, S.
[4] *Cf.* Nos. 677-679. [5] To, reduplicated, MS.

þanon innan fleot ⁊lang þes fleotes on træfesing muðan ⁊lang hile on eadelmes díc.

Et hujus doni (*etc., as in No.* 1036) . . . . . carraxari videntur.

✠ Ego Oscitel episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Dunstan episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Cynesige episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Aþulf episcopus consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Ælfhere Dux.
✠ Ego Æþelmund Dux.
✠ Ego Æþelpold Dux.
✠ Ego Birhtnoð Dux.
✠ Ego Æþelsige minister.
✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Vffa minister.
✠ Ego Osferd minister.
✠ Ego Ƿinsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþelpold minister.
✠ Ego Byrhtferd minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 83. | [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXX; from [A.]

1038. *Confirmation by King Eadgar of the privileges granted by former kings to the Kentish Monasteries.* A.D. 958.

CONFIRMATIO.

[A]nno dominice Incarnationis. DCCCCLVIII. Ego nempe EADGARUS Rex Anglorum divinaque concedente clemencia. Monarcus. Regum antiquorum. Athelberti. successorumque illius. ac archiepiscoporum. Brihtuuoldi. Athelardique statuta privilegia monasteriorum Cantigenum cum venerabilis archipontificis consultu. atque consilio ad maledictionem impiorum raptorum. immo magis Deo favente ad benivolum justorumque benediccionem. eterna conclusione renovamus ⁊ in domino summo roboramus.

[A.] Lambeth MS. 1212, p. 328.

1039. *Another form of No.* 1038, *with additional paragraph in favour of Christ Church, Canterbury.*

Anno Dominicæ incarnacionis DCCCCLVIII.

Ego nempe EDGARUS rex Anglorum divinaque concedente clemencia monarchus Regum Antiquorum Ethelberti et successorum illius ac Archiepiscoporum Brithwaldi et Athelardi statuta et privilegia monasteriorum Cancegenum cum venerabilis Archi-

pontificis Dunstani[1] consultu atque consilio ad malediccionem impiorum raptorum, immo magis, Deo favente ad benevolenciam justorumque benediccionem, eterna conclusione renovamus et in domino summo[2] roboramus, statuentes ut ecclesia Christi in Dorobernia aliarum ecclesiarum regni nostri mater sit et domina cum suis omnibus perpetualiter sit ubique libera præter expedicionem pontis et Arcis construccionem.

Hoc[3] privilegium Ego Eadredus Rex Anglorum Alfrico[4] Archiepiscopo ecclesie regimen Christi gubernante dictavi et subscripsi.

[A.] Harl. MS. 1757, f. 171.
[B.] MS. Eccl. Chr. Cantuar, Liber A, f. 89, (xvth cent.).
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLXXIX; from [A. B.]
Hardy's MSS. in Record Office.

1040. *Grant by King Eadgar to the thegn Ealhstan, of land at Stantun, or Staunton-upon-Arrow, and Hay,*[5] *co. Hereford.* A.D. 958.

✠ Cunctipotens pater arce superna sedens pronam. labilemque humani generis conspectans fragilitatem. unigenitum suum per quem secula ineffabili relatu disposuit nobis ad nostra crimina delenda misit. Constat namque ejusdem pii arbitrio conditoris. illiusque miseratione conceditur quemquam posse imis superna terrenis cælestia emere caducis sine fine mansura adipiscere.

Quapropter ego EADGAR divina favente gratia totius regni Merciorum monarchiam optinens. tribuo et libenter concedo. EALHSTANE. fideli meo ministro quoddam rús pro suo placabili[6] pecunia hoc est. XL. mancusis de auro obridzo. in pago. MAGESÆTNA[7]. hoc est. VI. manentium. in loco qui ab illius loci incolis

[1] Dunstan did not become archbishop until A.D. 960. [2] Immo, B.
[3] This paragraph omitted, B. [4] Elfric was archbishop in A.D. 995.
[5] Hay is now in co. Brecon. [6] Placibili, B.
[7] This "*pagus Magesætna*" has been for a long time an interesting difficulty with Anglo-Saxon topographers. Mr. Charles Pearson, in his *Historical Maps of England during the first thirteen Centuries* (London, fol., 1870) in the map entitled "Anglia Anglo Saxonica", places this district in Herefordshire, following Earle, who (like Florence of Worcester, in passages cited further on) somewhat loosely calls the Magesætan "Herefordshire men". He states also (*l. c.*, p. 6, col. 1), "Their district contained Yarkhill, in Herefordshire, and perhaps May[s]hill, in West Gloucestershire." This charter, therefore, which adds Staunton-upon-Arrow to the ascertained places of the *pagus*, is a notable addition to our knowledge of the area occupied by these ancient "Mage-" or "May-"setters.

There are several sites in England (in the Western parts) the names of which

dicitur. STÁNTÚN. ut habeat et semper æternaliter possideat cum omnibus bonis ad illam terram rite pertinentibus et quicquid exinde facere voluerit. potestatem habeat faciendi.

Est autem hæc terra istis circumcincta terminis. Ærest of myle forda ondlong erge[1] ꝥ[2] in pæsceford. of pæsceforda ondlong erge[1] ymb holaneige ufepeardre. of holaneige ufe peardre[3] on þa ac ecge ufe peardre ꝥ ⁊ lang þære ac ecge ufe pearde ꝥ[2] on snæd peg forepeardre: of snæd pege ymb heanlege on æcnabrycge úp ondlong broces ꝥ[2] in ðа díc. ondlong dices in tanes bæce. of tanes bæce ondlong mærgeardes. ꝥ[2] on lionhina[4] gemære. ondlong leonhiena gæmeres ꝥ[2] on aðelpoldes hege. of aðelpoldes hege in hean oldan. of hean oldan in mærðorn. of mærþorne ondlong

seem to have some affinity with the Mage-setters, but whether they are spots within the boundary of the *pagus*, or isolated offshoots into districts beyond, cannot well be decided. Indeed, it is doubtful whether any can be shown strictly to have originated with this tribe. I subjoin, however, a purely tentative list of some of these place-names:—

Machaway, the name of a river in co. Radnor, (Carlisle, *Top. Dict. Wales*, p. xxxvii).
Mageston, near Shaftesbury, co. Dorset.
Maisemore parish, near Gloucester, co. Glouc.
Maisey, in Ogbourne parish, near Marlborough, co. Wilts.
Maisey-Hampton, *al.* Hampton Massey, near Fairford, co. Glouc.
Maesbury and Maesbrook, near Oswestry, co. Salop.
Mayshill, in Westerleigh parish, near Chipping-Sodbury, co. Glouc.
Marston-Maisey parish, near Cricklade, co. Wilts.
Staunton upon-Arrow, *v. supra.*
Yarkhill (Geardcylle), see No. 332.

The tribe is mentioned in the *Anglo-Saxon Chron.*, *s. an.* MXVI. Gibson's note is interesting: "Opinatur Camdenus Radnoriam veterem fuisse *Mages* urbem antiquorum. Certa hujus vocabuli vestigia deprehenduntur in *Maiseveth* [Maesyved], hodierno Radnoriæ nomine apud Britannos" (*Expl. Nominum*, p. 36). Also see Camden, *Britannia*, 4th edit., 1772, vol. ii. p. 1; Magnos, of the Antonine itinerary, *Magnæ*, is placed at Kentchester or Kenchester, between Hereford and Hay, co. Hereford, on the River Wye.

The word *Mage* appears also to enter into the composition of the names of some of the British stations, as for example *Magiorinto*, variously placed at Ashwell and Dunstable, co. Bedf., and Fenny Stratford, co. Buck., and *Noriomago* at Woodcote, co. Surrey, and Holwood Hill, co. Kent. According to Florence of Worcester, the city of Worcester was the metropolis of the tribe: "Civitas Wigornia tempore quo regnabant Britones vel Romani in Britannia, et tunc et nunc totius Hwicciæ vel Magesitaniæ metropolis extitit famosa" (*Monum. Historic. Brit.*, p. 622). The same chronicler speaks of Ronus, comes Magesetensium, under date A.D. 1041 (*ib.*, p. 600); and in the Appendix is given a list entitled "Nomina præsulum Magesetensium sive Herefordensium" (*ib.*, p. 621).

[1] Erge = Arrow; *cf.* Hearge = Harrow, No. 384. [2] þonne, S.
[3] Ufepeardre on þa .... snæd peg forepardre, in a smaller hand, added afterwards by way of correction, A. [4] Leen, on the R. Arrow.

geardes in ðæt hlid gæt . of ðam hlidgete ondlong stræte on dices-geat of dicesgeate in ðæt ðridde geat . ðæt ondlong stræte þ[1] eft in myleford .

⁊ Eadgar cyning ge án Heallistane his þegn hagan on hereforda on bóc á on ece yrfe .

Sit ætiam hæc terra libera ab omni tributo . magno et modico et servitute regali . nisi pontis constructione arcis ædificatione et hostium expeditione . Si quis autem hoc meæ concessionis donum[2] . frangere vel minuere voluerit minuat omnipotens Deus dies illius in hoc seculo . et in futuro iram Dei incurrat nisi hic antea cum satisfactione bene emendaverit .

Actum est autem hæc mea donatio anno dominicæ incarnationis . DCCCC . LVIII . Indictione vero Iª . anno IIº . regni mei .

✠ Hii testes aderant qui hoc consenserunt et subscripserunt et cum triumphali vexillo sanctæ crucis firmaverunt .

✠ Ego Eadgar rex Merciorum et Norðanhýmbrorum atque Brettonum consensi et scribere jussi et cum vexillo sanctæ crucis firmavi.
✠ Ego Cynesige episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Dunstan episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ƿulfric episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Aðulf episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Leofƿine episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfhere dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æþelstan dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æþelmund dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Uhtred dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Aþelƿold dux consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Byrhtnoð consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ælfƿine minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ƿulfhelm minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Æþelsige minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ƿærstan minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ƿulfgar minister consensi et subscripsi .
✠ Ego Ƿulfstan minister consensi et subscripsi .

Endorsed :—" Her is Stantunes boc".

[A.] Original charter in the possession of the Dean and Chapter of Wells. Printed by W. de Gray Birch, in *Proceedings of the Soc. of Antiquaries*, 2nd ser., vol. viii. p. 236 (1880).
[S.] *Ord. Surv. Facs.*, pt. ii, with transliteration by Mr. W. B. Sanders (1881).

[1] þonne, S.
[2] A blank space here, A.

1041. *Foundation Grant by King Edgar to St. Werburg's Abbey, Chester, of lands at Hodeslið or Hoseley, in Gresford, cos. Flint and Denbigh; Cheveley and Huntington, in the parish of St. Oswald, Upton, Aston, and Great Barrow, in Cheshire.* A.D. (858 *for*) 958.

[Omnip]otens pater Spes unica Mundi . fabricator celi . Conditor orbis . qui diem Titanis splendidissimi[1] radiis flagrantibus[2] lustrando percurrit[3] ! Noctemque Cinthie jubaris splendore comit[4]. omnia nobis bona plus merito concedens donavit . vicemque aliis tam per ewangelicum[5] paradigma ! quam per aliarum seriem scripturarum rependi precepit .

Quapropter ego EADGARUS[6] Regni Merciorum Christi favente gratia sublimatus ad culmina ! pro expiatione anime mee meorumque predecessorum Eadmundi videlicet incliti Anglorum Regis ⁊ genitoris mei ! necnon ⁊ beate memorie Ethelstani ejusdem gentis Regis nobilissimi . dono ⁊ libenter concedo humili familie Deo omnipotenti In honore sacratissime[7] semperque virginis WERBURGÆ in loco qui dicitur Leiacestria[8] assidue militanti quandam partem agrorum . Hoc est . XVII . manentium non in uno tamen[9] loco . set in diversis sparsim locis divisos[10]. quorum nomina hic tenentur inserta . que[11] sic vocantur HODESHLIÐ[12] ⁊ Ceofanlea[13] ⁊ Huntingdun[14]. ⁊ Huptun[15]. ⁊ 'E'Astoñ[16]. ⁊ Barue[17]. ut habeant cum omnibus bonis ad illam terram pertinentibus . ⁊ sine ulla contradicctione omni tempore jure hereditario possideant . ⁊ quicquid exinde facere voluerint liberam in omnibus potestatem habeant[18] faciendi . Est autem hæc terra circumcincta terminis ⁊c[19]. Sit[20] etiam hoc mee concessionis donum liberum ab omni aggra-

[1] -me, D. [2] Flagragutib;, MS. [3] Procreavit, D. [4] Comit, omitted, D. [5] -lii, D. [6] Edigarus, D. [7] Sanctis, D. [8] *I.e.*, Chester. [9] Tñ, MS.; tantum, D. [10] Divisos, omitted, D. [11] Qui, D. [12] Hoderlid, D.; *Domesday Book*, Odeslei in Exestan Hundred, afterwards transferred to co. Flint (Ormerod, *Hist. of Ches.*, vol. i, p. 369); now Hoseley, in parish of Gresford, cos. Flint and Denbigh. [13] Ceosanla, D.; *Dom. Bk.*, Cavelea; Cheveley Manor, in the parish of St. Oswald, near Chester, *Surrey t. H. VIII*, in Dugd., *Mon. Angl.*, ii, 391. [14] -don, D.; *Dom. Bk.*, Hunditone; *Valor Eccl.*, Huntyngton; Huntington, in the parish of St. Oswald, near Chester. *l. c.*, ii, 391. [15] -ton, D.; *Valor Eccl.*, Upton Manor, in Upton, near Chester, *l. c.*, ii, 391. [16] Easton; *Valor Eccl.*, Aston, co. Derb.; Aston-upon-Trent, near Derby; but perhaps Aston-Sutton, co. Cest. [17] Barue; Great Barrow, near Chester. [18] Habeant, omitted, D. [19] Et metis, D. [20] Sit, omitted, D.

vatione[1] secularis servicii ⁊ ab omni censu ⁊ expedicionis profectione pontisque constructione et arcis munitione .

Si quis vero quod absit invidie[2] facibus succensus presumptibili elacionis fastu . hoc mee donacionis munimen frangere aut minuere voluerit . Sciat se reum omni hora vitæ suæ ⁊ tenebrosi Tartaris flammivomas[3] voragines in futuro non evadere nisi prius cum satisfactione pleniter emendaverit .

Actum est hoc mee concessionis donum Anno Dominice incarnacionis . DCCC . LVIII . indictione vero . I[a] . anno I°[4] Regni mei in loco famoso qui dicitur Pencric[5] . Hii testes aderant qui hoc consenserunt . ⁊ subscripserunt ⁊ cum triumphali vexillo sancte crucis Christi firmaverunt ⁊ corroboraverunt .

Ego Eadgarus[6] Rex Merciorum ceterarum nacionum concensi[7] ⁊ scribere jussi . ⁊ cum signo sancte crucis firmavi ⁊ corroboravi .

[A.] MS. Harl. 1965, f. 35 (13th cent.).
[D.] Dugdale, *Mon. Angl.* (new edit.), vol. ii, p. 364. "Ex vetusto exemplari penes Willielmum Vernon de Shakerley in com. Lanc. generosum. an. 1639."
Hardy's MSS. in H. M. Record Office, 267.
[K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. ccccLXXXIII; from [D.]

1042. *Grant by King Eadgar to the thegn Æthelric, of land at Wootton, co. Hants.*[8] A.D. 958.

ÐIS IS ÞÆRA LANDES BOC ÆT ƿUDUTUNE ÞE EADGAR CINING GEBOCODE ÆÞELRICE HIS ÞEGNE ON ECES YRFE .

Quamvis omnia que in hujus labentis evi curriculo cernuntur temporalia sint . et terrenis cœlestia sint mercanda . tamen ut recidiva successoribus nostris tutiora permaneant apicum seriæ testiumque adfirmatione roboranda sunt .

Quapropter ego EADGAR . gratia Dei rex Merciorum ceterarumque circumquaque nationum ruris quandam particulam . id est . XX . mansas in loco ubi ruricole vulgari[9] onomate vocitant ÆT ƿUDUTUNE cuidam ministro meo ÆÞELRICO largiflua mente pro ejus satis placabili obsequio ad modum libenter imperpetuam hereditatem concedo ut ipse habeat possideat que quamdiu in hoc seculo vita fruatur . et post se cuicumque voluerit derelinquat .

[1] Aggregat., D. [2] Invidie . . . hoc mee, omitted, D. [3] Flammineam, D. [4] "I°", omitted, D., for *secundo*; cf. No. 1040. [5] Wentric, D. Penkridge, co. Stafford, conjectured to be the ancient Pennocrucium on the Watling Street, is probably intended. The reading of D. seems to favour Windrush (old form Wenric, Penric, see Nos. 230, 1036), co. Gloucester. [6] Edgarius, D. [7] Consensi, D. [8] See No. 764. [9] Wlfgari, A. K.

His consentientibus pax perpetua contradicentibus autem ve hic et in futuro. His quoque limitibus prefata tellus girari videtur.

Ærest æt meolforda upp and lang streames oþ ramma ford of þam forda and lang ramma dæne to eadpeardes ge mære of eadpeardæs ge mære to glim. ⁊ lang glim adune on þone stream oþ hit cymþ to þam stream þæ scyt fram meolcforda up and lang þæs streames þæt hit cymþ æft to meolcforda. ⁊ ymb þone pudu spa Ælfsige ⁊ Æþelricg purð.

Acta est autem hæc donatio. Anno dominicæ incarnationis. DCCCCLVIII. indictione vero. I. cum consensu atque consilio episcoporum optimatumque quoram nomina inferius decarraxata parent.

✠ Ego Eadgar. Rex hanc meam munificentiam cum tropheo agyæ crucis corroboravi.

✠ Ego Oscytel episcopus. ✠ Ego Aðulf episcopus.
✠ Ego Cenpold episcopus. ✠ Ego Leofric episcopus.
✠ Ego Dunstan episcopus. ✠ Ego Leofpine episcopus.
✠ Ego Cynesige episcopus. ✠ Ego Ealdred episcopus.

✠ Ego Ealdred abbas consensi et manu propria signum sanctæ crucis impressi.

✠ Ego Ælfhere Dux. ✠ Ego Eanulf minister.
✠ Ego Æþelstan Dux. ✠ Ego Æþelsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþelmund Dux. ✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþelpold Dux. ✠ Ego Ælfhelm minister.
✠ Ego Æþelmund Dux. ✠ Ego Ælfsige minister.
✠ Ego Æþelpold Dux. ✠ Ego Æscferd minister.
✠ Ego Beorhtnod Dux. ✠ Ego Æþelpine minister.
✠ Ego Ælfpine minister. ✠ Ego Æthelpold minister.
✠ Ego Alfpold minister. ✠ Ego Osfærþ minister.

[A.] Add. MS. 15,350, f. 106b. [K.] Kemble, *Cod. Dipl.*, No. MCCXIX; from [A.]

1043. *Grant by King Ædgar to the thegn Ælfeh, of land at Overton-or Orton-Waterville, or Cherry Orton, co. Huntingdon.* A.D. 958.

DE OVIRTONA.

✠ Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo. Omnibus prudentibus qui Deifice contemplationis beatitudinem in mentis suæ hospicio cernere cupiunt manifestissimis signis constat quod quisque potis est transitoriis. imis alta celestia sine fine

mansura capescere . Iccirco ego ÆDGAR industrius Anglorum rex ceterarumque gentium in circumitu persistentium gubernator et rector . Secundo anno imperii mei litteratoriis apicibus roboravi . quod cum consensu heroicorum virorum cuidam meo ministro vocitato nomine ÆLFEGE . id est . V . cassatos eternaliter tradendo concessi ubi turbarum collatione jam dudum nomen illatum hoc adesse profertur . ÆT OFERTUNE . Ut terram jam præfatam meo scilicet ovante concessu tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ . Deinceps namque sibi succedenti cui voluerit heredi derelinquat ceu prædixi illi in æternam hæreditatem . Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum eterna libertate jocundum cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur . tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus . campis . pascuis . pratis . silvis . excepto communi labore expeditione . pontis arcisve coedificatione .

Si qui denique mihi non optanti hanc libertatis kartam livore depressi violare satagerint . agminibus tfæ caliginis lapsi vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis . "Discedite à me maledicti in ignem eternum ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueantur in pena". si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint penitentia . Acta est hec præfata donatio anno dominice incarnationis . DCCCCLVIII . indictione prima .

Ego Ædgar rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Oskytel episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
Ego Dunstan episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
Ego Kynesie episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
Ego Athulf episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
Ego Leofuuine episcopus consensi et subscripsi .
Ælfhere dux .
Urm dux .
Æthelstan dux .
Gunner dux .
Æthelmund dux .
Adeluuold dux .
Byrhtnoth dux .
Uthred dux .
Ælfuuine minister .
Wlfhelm .
Ælfuuine .
Sigulf .
Wlsige .
Wlfnoth .
Æthelstan .
Æthelnuard .
Ædeluuold .
Sigered .
Ælfred .
Æthelsige .
Ælfuuold .
Thurkytel .
Thurmod .
Vfa .
Æthered .
Ælfsige .
Ælfnoth ministri .

[A.] MS. Soc. Ant. lx, f. [illegible].

[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No. [illegible]; from [A.]

1044. *Grant by King Eadgar to Oscytel, [Arch]bishop of York,*[1] *of land at Sutton, between Blyth and the River Idle, co. Nottingham.* A.D. 958.

Regnante in perpetuum domino nostro Jhesu Christo, omnibus prudentibus qui Deificæ contemplationis beatitudinem in mentis suæ hospitio cernere cupiunt manifestissimis signis constat, quod quisque potens est transitoriis viis alta cœlestia sine fine mansura capescere.

Iccirco ego EADGARUS industrius Anglorum rex ceterarumque gentium persistentium gubernator et rector. II°. anno imperii mei literatoriis apicibus roboravi quod cum consensu heroicorum virorum cuidam meo dilectissimo pontifici vocato nomine OSCYTEL, id est. X. casatos generaliter eternaliter tradendo concessi ubi turbarum collatione jamdudum nomen illatum hoc adesse profertur ÆT SUTTUNE, ut terram jam præfatam meo scilicet ovante concensu tramitibus suæ possideat vitæ, deinceps namque sibi succedenti cui voluerit heredi derelinquat seu prædixi illam terram hereditatem. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum eternalitate jocundum cum omnibus quæ ipsum locum pertinere dinoscuntur, tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus, campis, pascuis, pratis, silvis, excepto communi labore, expeditione pontis, arcisve coedificatione. Si quidemque michi non optanti hanc libertatis cartam livore depressi violare satagerint, agminibus tetre[2] caliginibus lapsi, vocem audiant examinationis die arbitris sibi dicentis. "Discedite a me maledicti, ubi cum demonibus ferreis sartaginibus crudeli torqueatur in pena". si non ante mortem digna hoc emendaverint potencia[3].

Istis terminis ambitur prædicta tellus. Ðis sint ða land gemara to Scroppen þorpe[4]. ⁊ yuresby. Of langanforda dic ⁊lang dices ꝥ on þa miclan[5] dic ⁊lang dices on blidan et celfa se yeade[6]. ⁊lang blidan on beo lese suðerewearde ꝥ up da miclan strat ⁊lang strat ut þurh beolease norð ut þone feld ꝥ adun on blidan up be blidan on iddil. up be iddel on þone fulan broc ⁊lang brocci[3] eft on langanford.

Ðis sint ða land gemaree to Suttune. Of fulanforda ⁊lang stret to þam drape ꝥ on geriht mid þone draf on þone broc ⁊lang broces on langan ford. on gerihte of scyrinda midde peardne on iddel at brodan fleote ꝥ up a be iddel eft on fulan forde. ðonne[6] is sisotef[3] land binnan ðisum gemaree.

[1] And Bishop of Dorchester. [2] Terre, MS. [3] *Sic*, MS.
[4] ? Scrooby, near Bawtry and Blyth, co. Nottingham. [5] Untlan, MS.
[6] This sentence appears to be corrupt.

Acta est præfata donatio anno dominicæ Incarnationis D . CCCC . LVIII . Indictione prima .

Ego Eadgarus rex Anglorum indeclinabiliter concessi .
Ego Oscytel episcopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi .
Ego Dunstanus episcopus consignavi .
Ego Cynesige episcopus confirmavi .
Ego Adulf episcopus acquievi .
Ego Leolfwine episcopus corroboravi .
Ego Aldred episcopus non renui .
Elferf[1] dux .
Urin dux .
Adelstan dux .
Sunner dux .
Adelmund dux .
Brihtnod dux .
Uthred dux .
Leod dux .
Mirdach dux .
Ascured dux .
Halfden dux .
Morcar dux .
Ayered dux .
Alfwine minister .
Wlfhelm minister .
Silulf minister .
Alfwine minister .
Wlsi minister .
Wlnod minister .
Adelstan minister .
Adelward minister .
Adelwod minister .
Gifered minister .
Elfred minister .
Alfwold minister .
Ðurkitel minister .
Ðurnod minister .
Alfere minister .
Alfsi minister .
Alfnod minister .
Ulfketel minister .
Hrowald minister .
Duntan minister .
Sumerled minister .
Arkitel minister .
Dor minister .
Ourde minister .
Soca minister .
Cytelbeam[2] minister .
Forno minister .
Dunstan minister .

[A.] Magnum Registrum Album Eccl. Ebor. Pars i. f. 87b. (Kindly collated by Canon Raine.) | Hardy's MSS. in Record Office.

1045. *Grant by King Eadwyg to Newminster, Winchester, of land at Bicincgtun, or Bighton, co. Southampton,* A.D. 959, *and regrant of the same by the Monastery to Ælfric.*

Omnium visibilium et invisibilium rerum Creatore in perpetuum regnante , et a summo cœli fastigio omnia regnorum jura disponente , omnibus philosophiæ studium , mentis acumine scrutanti-

[1] Sic, MS. [2] Cf. Chetelber, and Chetelbern, Domesday tenants temp. *Edw. Conf.*, etc., cos. Lincoln, York, etc.

bus notum est, quoddamdiu[1] hujus infantis labentisque vitæ prosperitas cum terrigenis constiterit, tamdiu sæcularibus regibus videlicet ac potentibus totis nisibus subjicere conamur; quanto magis illi Regi, omnium rerum Creatori, omni mentis intentione militare debemus; qui non solum perdita restaurat, sed etiam restaurata conservat. Hinc ergo constat quod dum tempus est veniæ, festinemus laqueum totis viribus devitare mortis; dumque carnale possidemus patrimonium, spirituale exerceatur mercimonium, quo inter Angelicos choros mereamur adipisci gaudia, sine fine mansura. Quapropter ego EADWYG, Rex Anglorum, aliquam partem ruris mei, id est, decem mansas, in loco cui ruricolæ illius terræ hoc nomen indiderunt, BICINCGTUN, ad Monasterium Sancti Petri quod situm est in Wentana civitate, quodque Anglica appellatione vocatur the NIWAN MYNSTER, cum summa jucunditate perpetualiter dedi, quatenus venerabilis illius Monasterii familia, ejusque successorum posteritas, quamdiu Christicolarum religione hæc insula inhabitatur, ad vestimentorum adminiculum habeat, ac possideat, in æterna hæreditate. Maneat igitur meum hoc immobile donum, æterna libertate jucundum, cum omnibus quæ ad ipsum locum pertinere dignoscuntur, tam in magnis quam in modicis rebus, campis, pascuis, pratis, rivulis, silvis, excepto communi labore, expeditione, pontis arcisve coædificatione.

Nos igitur supradicti Sancti Petri Monasterii cœnobitæ, cum regis consensu suorumque heroicorum, necnon nostro communi consilio, hanc supradictam terram cuidam regis ministro, vocitato nomine ÆLFRICO, pro petitione amicorum suorum, atque ejus placabili munere, quod cum humili devotione nobis largitus est, id est, LX. mancusas auri, diebus vitæ suæ libenter concedimus, eo tenore, ut cum dissolutionis suæ dies advenerit, non cuiquam suæ prosapiæ soboli derelinquat, sed, sine aliquo obstaculo, cum omnibus utensilibus, hominibus, ovibus, pecoribusque, Monasterio Sancti Petri, sicut supradictum est, diligenter restituat. Si quis autem reprobus falsis machinationibus, per aliquam scripturam, nostrum decretum subvertere conatus fuerit, sit ipse in profundum chaos, igneis nexibus mancipatus, et ejus memoria caligine mortis obtecta, nisi hic, assiduis precibus, prius optabilem consequi mereatur indulgentiam.

Prædicta siquidem tellus istis terminis circumcincta clarescit:—

Ðis synt ðа landgemara to Bicingtune: Ærest of Tornanforda. þonne bufan ðam hlince æt ðæs gæredan landes ende; þonne forþ

[1] *Sic* in MS. for quod quamdiu.

to Cices pege; from Cices pege to ðære bradan æc, þanon to Pytleage; of Pytleage on Hullingstan, þanon to Dunnes stigele; of þære stigele to Ecesgeate, ðanon to Brennescumbes geate; of ðam geate to Pyrianhammun; [þanon] to Stodfaldun; of Stodfaldun to Ƿibbanbeorge; of Ƿibbanbeorge andlang mearce ðæt eft on Tornanford.

These ben the lond-markys of Bykyngtune: Fyrst, begyn at Torneford, than above the lynk at the reed londys ende, than forth to Kykyswey, fro Kykyswey to the brode ooke, fro thennys to Pytlee, fro Pytlee to Hullyngston, fro thennys to Dunnes-style; fro that style to Ekesgate; fro thennys to Brennes-combes-ȝate; fro that ȝate to Pyryham; fro thennys to Stotfold; fro Stotfold to Wybbanbyrgh; fro thennys a long the merchs that eft ledyth to Torneford.

Hi sunt terrarum limites pertinentium ad Byeyngtune: Incipe in primis apud Torneford, tunc desuper monticuli descensum qui jacet in rubiæ telluris fine, tunc recte ad limitem quendam nuncupatum Cycyswey; ab illo loco ad latam quercum; ab illo loco ad Pytteley; a Pytteley ad Hullyngston; ab illo [loco[1] ad scansile vocatum *Dunpile*, ab inde ad portam vocatam Ekysgate, ab inde ab illo] loco ad portam de Bremnescumbe; ab illa porta ad Pyryham; ex tunc ad Stodfold; a Stodfold ad Wybbanbyrgh; ab illo loco per longum pertranseas pratum paludosum quod iterum ducit ad Torneford.

Acta est hæc præfata donatio, anno ab incarnatione Domini nostri Jesu Christi DCCCCLIX. Indictione II.

✠ Ego Eadƿig rex Anglorum præfatam donationem concessi.
✠ Ego Byrhthelm Dorobernensis ecclesiæ episcopus cum signo sanctæ crucis roboravi.
✠ Ego Byrhthelm Wintoniensis ecclesiæ episcopus sigillum agiæ crucis impressi.
✠ Ego Osulf episcopus consignavi.
✠ Ego Alfƿold episcopus subscripsi.
✠ Ego Daniel episcopus conclusi.

✠ Ego Ælgric abbas.	✠ Osulf minister.
✠ Ego Alfƿold abbas.	✠ Alfred minister.
✠ Ego Aðelƿold abbas.	✠ Ƿlgar minister.
✠ Ælfheah dux.	✠ Leofo minister.
✠ Eadmund dux.	✠ Ƿulfhere minister.
✠ Ælfgar minister.	✠ Ælfƿig minister.
✠ Byrhtferð minister.	✠ Æþelsige minister.
✠ Ælfsyge minister.	✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Eadric minister.	✠ Ƿihtsige minister.
✠ Osƿic minister.	✠ Ordgar minister.
✠ Osƿeard minister.	✠ Æþelƿard minister.

[1] The words within brackets are written in a later hand—having been omitted by the original scribe—on the margin of the MS.

✠ Ealdred minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.
✠ Eadred minister.
✠ Ælfhere minister.
✠ Sigeferd minister.
✠ Ælfheah minister.
✠ Ælfred minister.
✠ Byrhtnoþ minister.
✠ Ælfric minister.
✠ Ealdred minister.
✠ Ƿulfmær minister.
✠ Ƿulfheah minister.
✠ Alfƿold minister.
✠ Ƿulfric minister.

[A.] *Liber de Hyda*; [E.] ed. Edwards (Rolls ser.), p. 174.

1046. *Grant of Privileges by King Eadwig to Abingdon Abbey. 17th May*, A.D. 959.

PRIVILEGIUM[1] EDWII REGIS DE VILLA ABBEND' ⁊ DE ABBATE ELIGENDO DE PROPRIA CONGREGATIONE.

Ortodoxorum vigoris ecclesiastici monitu creberrime instruimur ut illi oppido subjecti suppeditantes famulemur qui totius mundi fabricam miro ineffabilique serie disponens microcosmum[2] Adam videlicet tandem quadriformi plasmatum materia almo ad sui similitudinem instinctum spiramine universis que in infimis formaverat uno probandi causa excepto vetitoque preficiens paradisiace amenitatis jocunditate conlaterana[3] Eva scilicet comite decentissime collocavit. Larvarica pro[4] dolor seductus cavillatione versipellis suasibilisque tergiversatione viraginis pellectus anathematis alogia[5] ambro pomum momordit vetitum et sibi ac posteris in hoc erumnoso dejectus seculo letum promeruit perpetuum. Vaticinantibus siquidem prophetis et celitus superni regis diuturna clandestino presagia dogmate promentibus nitide ortodoxis[6] eulogium ex supernis deferens non ut Judeorum seditiosae lingue[7] fatetur loquacitas set priscorum atque modernorum lepi`di´ssimam ambiens facundiam Arrianas Scabellianasque[8] proterendo nenias anagogico infrustrans famine nosque ab obtunsi cecitate umbraminis ad supernorum alacrimoniam patrimoniorum[9] advocans angelus supernis elapsus liminibus in aurem intemerate virginis ut evangelica promulgant famina stupenda cecinisse videtur carmina. Cui ecclesia tota videlicet catholica consona voce altibohando[10] proclamat. "Beata[11] es virgo Maria que credidisti perficientur in te que dicta sunt tibi a domino". Mirum dictu incarnatur verbum et incorpora-

[1] Privilegium Eadwii regis, rubric, B. [2] Micocrosmum, A. B. [3] Collat., B. [4] Proh, B. [5] -gio, B. [6] Orthod., B. [7] Seditiosa elingue, A. K. S. T. [8] Sabel., B. [9] -niar-, B. [10] -boando, B. [11] Luc. i, 45.

tur scilicet illud de quo euuangelista supereminens universorum altitudine sensuum inquit. "In[1] principio erat verbum ⁊ verbum erat apud Deum et Deus erat verbum". ⁊ Reliqua. Qua videlicet sumpta de virgine incarnatione antiquæ virginis facinus demitur. et cunctis mulieribus nitidis precluens taumatibus decus irrogatur! Intacta igitur redolente Christi divinitate passaque ipsius humanitate libertas addictis clementer contigit servulis.

Hinc ego. EADWIG[2]. altitrono[3] amminiculante[4] Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu triviatim persistentium basileus ut hujus libertatis altitroni[3] moderatoris clementia merear optinere consortium cenobio loco celebri qui ab hujus prosapie solicolis ÆBBÆNDVN[5] nobili nuncupatur vocabulo situm genitricique domini nostri semper virgini Marie necnon beato Petro apostolorum principi. ejusque coapostolo Paulo dedicatum habetur monachis regulariter degentibus monastici eternam privilegii concedo libertatem quatenus post decessum Æþeluuoldi abbatis egregii cujus temporibus hec libertatis restauratio Christo suffragante concessa est. quem sibi universa prefati cenobii congregatio apto elegerit consilio secundum regularia beati Benedicti instituta abbatem juste ex eodem fratrum cuneo eligens constituat. Hujus privilegiis[6] libertas deinceps usu perpetuo a cunctis teneatur catholicis nec extraneorum quispiam tirannica fretus contumatia in predicto monasterio jus arripiens exerceat potestatis set ejusdem cenobii collegium perpetue ut predixi libertatis glorietur privilegio. Sit autem prefatum monasterium omni terrene servitutis eodem tenore liberum quo a predecessoribus nostris catholicis a sancto Leone[7] videlicet papa et Coenulfo[8] Rege catholico vetusto continetur privilegio Rethuno[9] abbate optinente solutum.

Agie equidem ad usus monachorum domino nostro Jhesu Christo ejusque genitrici Marie priscis modernisque temporibus á regibus ⁊ religiosis utriusque sexus hominibus et á me ipso meoque patruo. Eadredo. Rege fidelissimo restituendo jure concessi sunt ejusdem perpetualiter sint libertatis. Nam Rex prefatus rus quod Abbendun[10] nuncupatur quod Rex Ceadwala domino nostro ejusque genitrici Marie priscis temporibus devoto concesserat animo. in quo predecessores nostri diabolica decepti avaricia edificium regale sibi injuste construxerant ecclesie Dei restituens interdixit ut regum nemo inibi pastum requireret nec edificium in sempiternum construeret.

[1] Joh. i. 1. [2] -wi, B. [3] -thro, B. [4] Adm., B. [5] Aebban., B. [6] -gii, B. [7] See No. 337. [8] See Nos. 366, 850. [9] See No. 232. [10] Abban., B.

Quod ego Eadwig Anglorum basileus optimatum meorum usus consilio tam meis quam meorum successorum temporibus fixum in nomine patris ⁊ filii ⁊ spiritus[1] sancti fieri in eternum precipio. Si quis vero tam epilempticus philargirie seductus amentia quod non optamus hanc nostre munificentie dapsilitatem ansu temerario infringere temptaverit. sit ipse alienatus a consortio sancte Dei ecclesie necnon et a participatione sacrosancti corporis ⁊ sanguinis Jhesu Christi filii Dei per quem totus terrarum orbis ab antico[2] humani generis inimico liberatus est. ⁊ cum Juda 'Christi' proditore sinistra in parte deputatus nisi prius hic digna satisfactione humilis penituerit quod contra sanctam Dei ecclesiam rebellis agere presumpserit nec in vita hac practica veniam nec in theorica requiem apostata obtineat ullam set eternis baratri incendiis trusus cum Anania ⁊ Saphira jugiter miserrimus crucietur.

Anno dominice incarnationis. DCCCC. LIX. Indictione. II^a. Regni autem mei. IIII°. XVI. kł Junii. Scripta est hujus munificientie singrafa his testibus consenti'en'tibus quorum inferius nomina secundum unius cujusque dignitatem caraxantur.

✠ Ego Eadwig[3] Britannie[4] Anglorum monarcus[5] preformatas propinquorum set et regum donationes hoc taumate agie crucis[6] Roboravi.

✠ Ego[7]. Odo. Dorobornensis ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem benivolentiam subscripsi.

✠ Ego Eadgiuu[8] ejusdem[9] regis Ava hanc donationem cum sigillo sancte crucis[6] confirmavi.

✠ Ego Osulf plebi Dei 'famulus canonica subscriptione manu propria firmavi[10].

✠ Ego[11] Brihtelm episcopus jubente rege signum sancte crucis impressi.

✠ Ego Alfpold presul tropheum agie crucis imposui.

✠ Ego Brihtelm antistes testudinem sancte crucis subscripsi ⁊ confirmavi.

✠ Ego Daniel pontifex consensum prebui figens crucem.

✠ Ego Ælfheah dux donum ejusdem regis confirmavi.

✠ Ego Aþelpol[12] abbas hoc eulogium manu propria apicibus depinxi[13].

✠ Ego Ælfric abbas crucis vexillo corroboravi.

✠ Ego Alfpold abbas crucis modum manu propria infixi.

[1] Sp̄u, A. [2] -quo, B. [3] -wi, B. [4] Britt., B. [5] -chus, B.
[6] ✠, added, B. [7] This sentence omitted, B. [8] -giua, B. [9] Ejus, B.
[10] Fam. firmavi, B. [11] Five sentences omitted, B. [12] Æþelwold, B.
[13] B. ends here with: Et multi alii consenserunt et confirmaverunt.

✠ Ego Eadmund Dux consensi ⁊ subscripsi.
✠ Ego Ƿulfgar custos.
✠ Ego Æscƿig custos.
✠ Ego Ælfnod custos.
✠ Ego Ælfgar minister.
✠ Ego Brihtferð minister.
✠ Ego Eadric minister.
✠ Ego Ƿulfgar discifer.
✠ Ego Æþelsige pincerna.

✠ Ego Ælfsige
✠ Ego Ælfred
✠ Ego Ealdred
✠ Ego Lefincg
✠ Ego Ælfsige
✠ Ego Ælfƿig
✠ Ego Ælfƿine
✠ Ego Æþelƿeard
✠ Ego Ƿulfric
✠ Ego Cyneric
✠ Ego Ƿihtsige
✠ Ego Leofa
✠ Ego Ælfric
✠ Ego Leofstan
✠ Ego Ƿulfric
✠ Ego Eadric
✠ Ego Æþelstan
✠ Ego Alfƿold
✠ Ego Æþelƿeard
✠ Ego Ælfric
✠ Ego Æþelferþ
✠ Ego Osƿeard
✠ Ego Osulf
✠ Ego Osuuig
✠ Ego Ordgar
✠ Ego Brihtric
✠ Ego Æþelferþ

minister.

✠ Ego Ælfsige
✠ Ego Æþelsige
✠ Ego Ƿulfhere
✠ Ego Leofric
✠ Ego Alfƿold
✠ Ego Ælfmær
✠ Ego Ordƿold
✠ Ego Ordnoð
✠ Ego Ælfheah
✠ Ego Eadred
✠ Ego Cyneric
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✠ Ego Ælfnoð
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✠ Ego Ƿulfric
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✠ Ego Æþeric
✠ Ego Brihtelm
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✠ Ego Eadric
✠ Ego Brihtƿald
✠ Ego Æþelferþ
✠ Ego Ælfric
✠ Ego Ælfmer
✠ Ego Eadulf
✠ Ego Sigelm
✠ Ego Eadric
✠ Ego Æðelm

minister.

[A.] Cotton MS., Claudius B. vi, f. 62.
[B.] Cotton MS., Claudius C. ix, f. [illegible]
[K.] Kemble, Cod. Dipl., No mccxxiv; from [A. B.]
[S.] Chron. Abingd., ed. Stevenson, vol. i, p. [illegible]
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